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OF THE

# TOWN OF

# BELMONT

NEW HAMPSHIRE

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# TOWN OFFICERS

**MODERATOR**
LYLE R. HEATH

**SELECTMEN**
HARRY A. HOWLAND HAROLD J. JONES
ROYAL W. SMITH

**CLERK**
GUY L. HAMEL

**TREASURER**
WILSON MANSFIELD

**TAX COLLECTOR**
RUSSELL H. CUSHING

**HEALTH OFFICER**
RALPH BRYANT

**POLICE CHIEF**
VICTOR N. ALLARD

**LIBRARIAN**
MRS. NETTIE HAGGETT

**ROAD AGENT**
PHILIP BRYANT

**SCHOOL BOARD**
RICHARD WESTON HELENA BRYANT
CLARENCE MOODY

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**
LYLE R. HEATH HARRY HOWLAND
MILDRED TASKER

## TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

FRED PIPER RUSSELL H. CUSHING
OAKLEIGH SWAIN

## AUDITOR

ELLIS BLAISDELL

## SUPERVISORS

ELLIS N. BLAISDELL ARTHUR HILL
ROBERT DEARBORN

## REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT

HON. CLARENCE B. DEARBORN

# TOWN WARRANT

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**To the Inhabitants of the Town of Belmont in the County of Belknap in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at Community Hall in said Belmont on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, next, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To choose one Selectman for three years, one Selectman for two years, one Trustee of the Public Library for three years, and one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years.
3. To see what action the Town will take upon the budget as recommended by the Budget Committee.
4. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 2% on all taxes paid on or before July 5, 1949.
5. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.
6. To see what the Town will vote to do with the income from the John M. Sargent fund.
7. To see what the Town will vote to do with its Parsonage Funds.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding $101,000 for making additions and improvements to the municipally owned water works system, and, to raise such sum, to authorize the Selectmen to issue and sell in the name and on the credit of the Town of Belmont, serial notes or bonds, to be issued in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire as amended. (This item submitted by the budget committee for action by the voters but does not carry a recommendation.)
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise the salary of the Town Moderator.
10. To see if the Town will vote to close the so-called old road leading from Belmont to Laconia from where it leaves the so-called new road to the cross road leading from the Shepard buildings to the Seavey road.

11. To see if the town will vote to instruct the road agent to plow snow from driveways after the town highways are cleared. A fee to be charged, the rate to be determined by the Selectmen.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $167.00 which is 1/100 of 1% of the assessed valuation of the town to the Lakes Region Association for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the Town, in cooperation with other towns in the Lakes Region.

13. To see if the Town will vote to have the Town Manager form of Government as provided in Chapter 55, revised Public Laws of New Hampshire 1942, as amended by chapters 20 and 236 in 1947.

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to refinance and or renew any loans which may become due during the current municipal year.

15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and receive, in the name of the Town, any grants on aid which may be forthcoming for public works construction from the Federal Government or any of its agencies.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed three thousand dollars for the purpose of obtaining blueprints and specification to be used in making plans for rebuilding the town water system.

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The polls shall not close before 3:00 p. m.

Given under our hand and seal, this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

HARRY W. HOWLAND
HAROLD JONES
ROYAL W. SMITH
Selectmen of Belmont

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HARRY W. HOWLAND
HAROLD JONES
ROYAL W. SMITH
Selectmen of Belmont

# HONOR ROLL OF VETERANS

Belmont residents who served their country in World War II are deserving of the recognition their fellow-townspeople can give to them on this page of the Annual Town Report of 1948.

One of the assets of the town of Belmont is its large number of young people attending schools and residing here in our town. We hope that many of them will want to make their future homes here.

In World War II a large number of our young people left our community to serve in the armed services of our country. Many of these veterans have returned to live here, and these with many others who now live here will play a large part in shaping the future of this town. We are depending upon them for our future leaders.

Belmont is proud of its men and women who did their part in the services of the last war and especially we owe a great debt of gratitude and honor to those who made the greatest sacrifice man can make for his fellow citizens. They gave their lives that we might continue to live here and conduct our affairs in the democratic way of self government.

Let us all continue to honor them by striving to make our town an even better one in which to live, a town which may indeed be judged worthy of the sacrifice which they have made.

Allen Austin
Wilfred Beaudoin
Ansel Bernier
Harold W. Baker
Richard J. Bertholet
Leo J. Binette
Emile J. Binette
Edward Blaisdell
Theodore W. Blanchard
Arthur E. Bouchard
Lorraine Boutin Morin
Norman Britton
George Brough
Charles V. Carey
Allen D. Carter
Albert Clairmont
Lawrence Clairmont
Leo S. Clairmont
Henry E. Cloutier
Erlric J. Corriveau
Karl B. Dearbon
Robert Bordeau
Albert F. Donovan Jr.
Gerard Dion
Joseph Dion
Maurice Drouin
Bernard Dube
Leon L. Ellsworth
Phyllis Fogg
Leo Fortier
E. M. Frazier
Henry Frazier
Omer R. Frazier
Leo H. Frazier
Thomas Gallagher
Arthur Gilbert
George Arnold Harris
Arthur Harris
Arlington Hartford
Chester Hayward
Willard Hayward
Kenneth Heath
Clarence W. Hill
Frank Hunkins

Frank Jewett
Bolik Kizala
James M. Ladd
Joseph La Rouch
Howard E. La Duke
Azor Leighton
Charles Lyman Jr.
Arthur J. Marcoux
Carroll F. Marden
James F. McKeon
Edward Moody
Wendell C. Moody
Ralph Philbrook
Roger L. Richardson
Robert L. Riggins
Cecille Robichaud
Fred A. Sawyer
James E. Sawyer
Maurice Simmoneau
Charles A. Simmons
Jean D. Smith
Gerald Steenberger
Gerard W. Sturgeon
George E. Toussaint
Allison Trask
Claire Turcotte
Pauline Vachon
Willis M. Woodman
Richard Woodward
Harry T. Fisk
Chester Ober
Edward Lavallee
Henry J. McLaughlin
John Bane
James P. Stearns
Leo J. Alger
Clayton M. Danforth
Irvin O. Rollins
Robert Talbot
Edmond Weston
Lawrence Cotnoir
Douglas Presscott
Albert M. Rowe
George R. Barnes
Holden I. Stroud
Nathan Brody
Gordon R. Tate
Leo H. Drouin
Edmund T. Vachon
James Treland
Arthur N. Sturgeon
Charles L. Young
Wesley J. Kimball
Kenneth B. Irvine
Hadley M. Patten
Maurice E. Bourque
Leo Gagnon
Norman L. Turcotte
Elwin E. Edmunds
Aime J. Bourque
Harold L. Reed
Ralph Stockman
Russell W. Cushing
Phillip W. Eaton
Orrin W. Page
Thomas A. Roach
Woodrow W. Patten
Augustus F. Clark
Leon J. Parent
John. I Christensen
Gerard W. Sturgeon
Harry J. Parent
Weymouth H. Judkins
Emile A. Ricard
William E. Cherrette
Everett V. Layward
Edwin J. Smith
Albert J. Sturgeon
Robert R. Allard
Joseph A. Rhodes
Euclide F. Blanchard
Thornton E. Cass
Ralph A. Hackett
William E. Archibald
William G. Sturgeon
John S. Morrison
Floyd N. Moody
Alfred A. Rhodes
Arthur H. Betourne
Webster E. Bryant
Parnell J. Clairmont
Gerard E. Corriveau
Clement E. Hamilton
Starlin M. Heath
William J. Nichols
Clinton M. Patten
Thomas A. Rhodes, Jr.
Paul G. Stroud, Jr.
Omer A. Thompson
Francis A. Betourne
Maurice C. Lacroix
John S. Rhodes
Carl E. Jewett
Dennis G. Merrill
Alfred D. Bouchard
George L. Smith
Addison D. Ogle
Joseph J. Clairmont

Robert C. Connolly
Francis H. Ellsworth
Wilfred G. Gignac
George L. Heath
Armand A. Laflam
Lincoln W. Noel
James F. Rhodes
Clifford J. Robichaud, Jr.
Joseph L. Sturgeon
Peter J. Vachon, Jr.
Irving S. Heath
Romeo A. Clairmont
George A. Harris
Francis L. Vachon
William H. McCascoe
Ernest J. Connolly
Delphis R. Gilbert
Thomas M. Murphy
Samuel J. Corriveau
Charles E. Lyman
Lomer P. Theberge
Blaine A. Leighton
Frederick Patten
Robert S. Lacroix
Henry J. Labrecque
Armand J. Levasseur
Omer O. Laflamme
Fred Firth
Leon Austin
Irving Heath
Eunice Austin
Peter E. Merrill

## IN MEMORIAM

HARLEIGH BROWN, JR.
ARTHUR HACKETT
HERBERT ALAN PRESCOTT
PHILLIPS OAKLEIGH SWAIN

This list supplied by courtesy of Charles Kilborn Post, No. 58, American Legion.

# SELECTMEN'S REPORT

## SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT

At our last town meeting after a thorough discussion of our snow removal equipment problem and consideration of the future needs of the town, it was voted to authorize the board of selectmen to proceed to purchase a four wheel drive truck for plowing our roads at a cost not to exceed $15,300.00.

Your selectmen and road agent spent considerable time in viewing and comparing various types of trucks and in the course of this investigation several trips were made to other towns to study their equipment and learn about its performance under actual operation.

After giving due consideration to the particular needs of our town as to type of roads, mileage to be covered and costs, both initial and maintenance, it was decided to purchase a Walter Model F.C.K.D. truck with 9 ft. plow and 10 ft. wing with air brakes and power steer.

This many of you have now seen in operation. It is commonly called a seven-ton Model Walter Snow Fighter. The price paid was $14,984.20 and includes a 2% cash discount. Several accessories including four tire chains were furnished by the dealer at no extra cost.

The following is a copy of a letter from Mr. R. C. Hazelton the dealer, indicating that the price paid for the truck was the same as quoted in the early part of the year.

October 16, 1948.

Mr. Royal W. Smith
Route 1
Laconia, New Hampshire

Dear Sir:

Your order for a Walter Model F.C.K.D. with plow and wing is sincerely appreciated.

As we agreed you have purchased the truck for the price prevailing last spring according to your appropriation which is a whole lot lower than the price today for that truck.
Your expression of confidence by favoring us with your order, obligates us happily.

Very truly yours,

R. C. HAZELTON COMPANY, INC.
By: R. C. Hazelton.

You will note in the financial statement that $10,500.00 was borrowed toward the price of the truck. $4,500.00 was raised by taxation toward the payment on the truck. Repayment of the loan will be made as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| 1949 | $3,500.00 |
| 1950 | $3,500.00 |
| 1951 | $3,500.00 |

Interest on this loan was at the rate of 2¼%.

## TOWN BUILDING—COMMUNITY HALL

For many years the town of Belmont has not owned a building where a town meeting or any large gathering of citizens could take place.

The town has been fortunate to have available from the Belmont Hosiery Co. the Community Hall which was leased for all necessary gatherings such as elections, school affairs and other uses.

The cost to the town was no doubt as low as would have been the cost of owning and maintaining a building for these uses.

However, in the spring of 1948, Mr. Walter Duffy felt that he would prefer to dispose of the Community Hall building and offered the town an opportunity to purchase the structure.

An article in the warrant was passed authorizing the selectmen to negotiate with the mill owners for purchase of the building at a price not to exceed $6,000.00. However no money was provided in the budget for this purpose.

Negotiations were completed in April and a loan of $6,000.00 was obtained on a note from the Iona Savings bank at Tilton. It will now be necessary to make arrangements for the future handling of this loan.

In considering the maintenance of the building for the winter the problem of heating immediately arose. The building had formerly been heated from the mill property of the Belmont Hosiery Co. Estimates of heat plant installation costs were obtained from two competent contractors and both were in the vicinity of $5,000.00. It was felt that if the mill would continue to heat the building on a temporary basis until a heating system could be financed that the problem would be greatly lessened.

Mr. Duffy and Mr. Wells were approached and agreed to consider the matter provided a competent heating engineer was

employed by the town to estimate the cost of heating the Community Hall building and the Library. The R. P. Morrin Co. of Manchester was engaged to make the estimate at a cost of $50.00. Their estimate was as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Cost of heating Community Building | $648.00 |
| Cost of heating Library | 225.00 |

Mr. Duffy agreed to accept this figure of $54.00 per month. We feel that the town was fortunate to have the Belmont Hosiery Co. take over the heating of our buildings at this time, but future plans must be made for the heating of the building.

In connection with the operation and maintenance of the building there have been expenses for which no appropriation was made. A statement of the financial situation as it relates to the building is as follows:

**Town Hall**

| | |
|---|---|
| Purchase price | $6,000.00 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co., heat and lights | 135.16 |
| Register of Deeds, recording deeds | 1.25 |
| Guy Hamel, insurance—liability 1 yr., fire 3 yrs. | 484.09 |
| R. P. Morin Co., heating estimate | 50.00 |
| Dave Ricard, Jr., repairs and janitor service | 37.00 |
| Fred's Filling Station, supplies | 6.39 |
| Lyle Heath, sawing lumber | 22.06 |
| Clarence Shaw, wiring | 3.60 |
| Agricultural Service Inc., step ladder | 28.60 |
| | $768.15 |

**Income from the Building**

| | |
|---|---|
| Rent of hall | $74.50 |
| Rent of store | $66.80 |

## WATER SYSTEM SURVEY

The 1948 appropriations included an item of $100.00 to be used by the selectmen for the purpose of obtaining a preliminary survey on the cost of placing our water works into good condition and plans for financing this construction on a long time basis to be paid for out of the income from the system.

Mr. Ned Spaulding of Hudson, N. H., was employed to make this survey. Copies of his report are now held by the selectmen and can be studied by anyone who is interested.

In brief Mr. Spaulding recommended that the town prepare detailed plans, specifications and estimates of cost for the following:

1. Replacement of all wooden mains.
2. Replacement of all obsolete hydrants.
3. Coordination of town system with requirements of Hosiery Company with a thought in mind to have the company assist the town by furnishing a substantial portion of the financing, which could well represent 50 percent or so of the total estimated cost of a complete installation by the company of a private system.
4. Establish rates for consumption of water on an equitable basis so that reduction of bonds issued by the town for replacement of obsolete portions of the system would be amortized from receipts, and not from deficiency accounts by direct real estate taxation.
5. Determine relative value of flat rate versus metered charges for water consumption.
6. Authorize bond issue after determination of costs and retain engineering services as required.

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## REVALUATION

At the 1947 town meeting a resolution was passed instructing the selectmen to make a request to the State Tax Commission for a revaluation of all real estate in order to bring all property to as nearly an equitable taxation basis as possible.

Mr. Carl Pattee of Goffstown, an employee of the tax commission came to Belmont, and working with the assistance of the selectmen visited each piece of real estate and established a valuation for tax purposes.

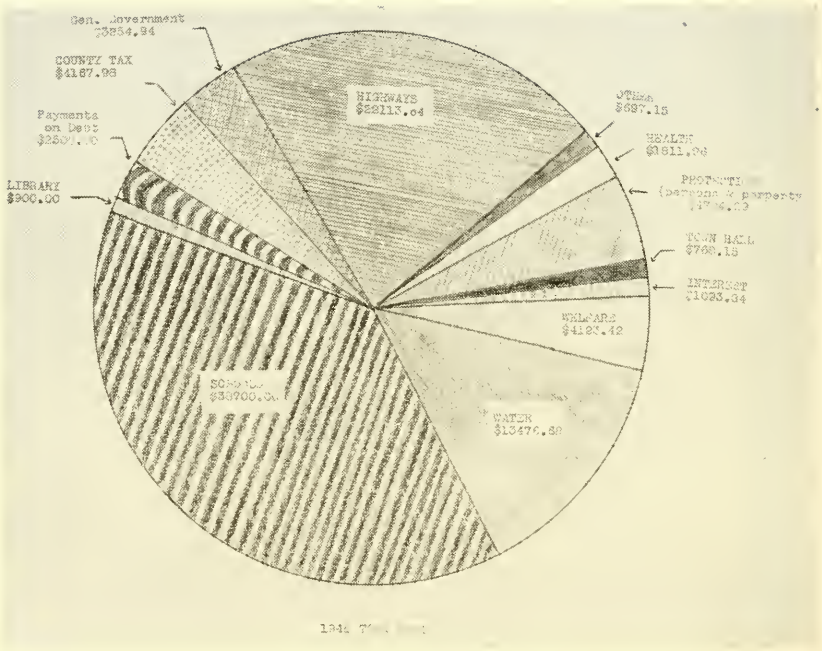
In arriving at revaluation figures Mr. Pattee considered several factors. Included in these were the type of land, type of construction of buildings involved, the location of the property, the facilities available, etc.

In general a large percentage of the property was increased in valuation over what it was formerly being valued by the selectmen.

Final figures showed an increase in valuation of $393,850.00 to bring the present valuation to $1,650,000.00.

It is the opinion of your selectmen that there is now the most equitable valuation of property that has existed in the town for several years.

Credit for assistance to Mr. Pattee in locating property should be given to former Selectman Stanley F. Hill, who spent several days on this work at no expense to the town.




1948 TOWN COSTS

The graphs in this report were made by courtesy of John Bane, Headmaster and students Roland Kimball and Robert LaFlam.

# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BELMONT

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949 compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948

| Sources of Revenue | Actual Revenue Previous Year 1948 | Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| **From State:** | | |
| Interest and Dividends Tax | $557.80 | $560.00 |
| Railroad Tax | 58.53 | 58.00 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 499.72 | 500.00 |
| For Fighting Forest Fires | 98.84 | 75.00 |
| Blister Rust Refund | .69 | |
| Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance | 5.00 | |
| **From Local Sources Except Taxes:** | | |
| Business Licenses and Permits | 34.00 | 34.00 |
| Rent of Town Hall & Other Buildings | 141.30 | 400.00 |
| Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits | 537.65 | 600.00 |
| Income of Departments: | | |
| (a) Highway, includ. rental of equip. | 51.70 | 50.00 |
| Income from Municipally owned Utilities: | | |
| (a) Water Departments | 4,040.44 | 4,500.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 2,657.59 | 2,700.00 |
| Dog Licenses | 321.00 | 350.00 |
| Bounties | 21.50 | 21.50 |
| Refund on Relief | 200.00 | |
| Refund from County | .01 | |
| Insurance | 58.96 | |
| Miscellaneous | 354.94 | 350.00 |
| **Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:** | | |
| Town Hall | 6,000.00 | |
| Truck | 10,500.00 | |
| Temporary Loans | 38,000.00 | 35,000.00 |
| Water System, Bond Issue | | 100,000.00 |
| **From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:** | | |
| (a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ $2 | 798.00 | 800.00 |
| (b) National Bank Stock Taxes | 15.00 | 15.00 |

| Purposes of Expenditures | Approp. Previous Year 1948 | Actual Expend. Previous Year 1948 | Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Current Maintenance Expenses: | | | |
| **General Government:** | | | |
| Town Officers' Salaries | $1,800.00 | $1,718.39 | $1,800.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 850.00 | 1,145.25 | 1,500.00 |
| Election & Registration Expenses | 325.00 | 391.30 | 150.00 |
| Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs. | | 738.15 | 1,600.00 |
| **Protection of Persons & Property:** | | | |
| Police Department | 500.00 | 489.00 | 500.00 |
| Fire Department | 2,900.00 | 3,915.29 | 3,000.00 |
| Moth Extermination—Blister Rust | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| **Health:** | | | |
| Health Dept., includ. hospitals | 1,900.00 | 1,811.26 | 2,000.00 |
| **Highways and Bridges:** | | | |
| Town Maintenance: | | | |
| Summer | 5,000.00 | 4,931.70 | 5,000.00 |
| Winter | 4,500.00 | 4,529.05 | 4,500.00 |
| Street Lighting | 1,650.00 | 1,580.04 | 1,600.00 |
| General Exp. of Highway Dept. | 5,500.00 | 4,676.25 | 5,000.00 |
| Town Road Aid | | | 775.98 |
| **Libraries** | 900.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 |
| **Public Welfare:** | | | |
| Town Poor | 1,000.00 | 1,230.46 | 2,500.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 2,500.00 | 2,892.96 | 3,500.00 |
| **Patriotic Purposes:** | | | |
| Memorial Day & Veterans' Assn. | 250.00 | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| **Recreation:** | | | |
| Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| **Public Service Enterprises:** | | | |
| Municipally owned Water and Electric Utilities | 10,000.00 | 13,476.68 | 4,000.00 |
| Cemeteries | | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| **Unclassified:** | | | |
| Revaluation Expense | | | 592.00 |

| Purposes of Expenditures | Approp. Previous Year 1948 | Actual Expend. Previous Year 1948 | Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Interest:** | 1,150.00 | | |
| On Temporary Loans | | 586.34 | 1,265.00 |
| On Bonded Debt | | 270.00 | 360.00 |
| On Long Term Notes | | 237.50 | 225.00 |
| Total | 1,150.00 | 1,093.84 | 1,850.00 |
| **Highways and Bridges:** | | | |
| Town Construction | 3,500.00 | 3,411.03 | 500.00 |
| State Aid Construction— | | | |
| Town's Share | 3,345.00 | 1,896.00 | 2,512.00 |
| Water Works Construction | | | 100,000.00 |
| Survey | | | 3,000.00 |
| New Lands and Buildings | | 6,000.00 | |
| New Equipment—Truck | | 14,984.20 | |
| **Indebtedness:** | | | |
| **Payment on Principal of Debt:** | | | |
| (a) Bonds | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| (b) Long Term Notes | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 6,500.00 |
| (e) Deficit of Previous Year | | | 4,000.00 |
| **Payments to Other Governmental Div.:** | | | |
| County Taxes | 4,095.59 | 4,167.98 | |
| School Taxes | 36,825.85 | | 35,365.81 |

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Lands and Buildings (Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber) | $1,385,405.00 |
| Growing Wood and Timber | 20,500.00 |
| Electric Plants | 96,220.00 |
| Horses, 75 | 6,675.00 |
| Cows, 501 | 60,700.00 |
| Other Neat Stock, 35 | 1,850.00 |
| Sheep and Goats, 41 | 420.00 |
| Fowls, 4,102 | 4,352.00 |
| Portable Mills, 2 | 700.00 |
| Boats and Launches, 27 | 5,515.00 |
| Wood, Lumber, etc. | 12,676.00 |
| Gasoline Pumps and Tanks | 1,325.00 |
| Stock in Trade | 94,905.00 |
| Mills and Machinery | 75,500.00 |
| | $1,766,743.00 |
| (Exclusive of soldiers' Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind) | $1,675,393.00 |
| Poll Taxes, 645 @ $2.00 | $1,290.00 |
| Total Amount of Taxes to be Committed to Collector including Town and Precinct Taxes, Poll Taxes and National Bank Stock Taxes | $90,085.83 |
| Average rate of taxation per one hundred dollars valuation for all purposes | 5.30 |
| Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers | $91,350.00 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of inventories sent out | 742 |
| Number of inventories returned | 410 |

## APPROPRIATIONS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Town Officers Salaries | | $1,800.00 |
| Town Officers Expenses | | 850.00 |
| Election and Registration Expenses | | 325.00 |
| Police Department | | 500.00 |
| Fire Department | | 2,900.00 |
| Blister Rust—Moth Extermination | | 300.00 |
| Health Department | | 1,900.00 |
| State Aid Construction | | 3,345.00 |
| Town Maintenance | | |
| Summer | | 5,000.00 |
| Winter | | 4,500.00 |
| Town Construction | | 3,500.00 |
| Street Lighting | | 1,650.00 |
| General Expenses of Highway Department | | 5,500.00 |
| Water System Survey | | 100.00 |
| New Equipment | | 4,500.00 |
| Libraries | | 900.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | | 2,500.00 |
| Town Poor | | 1,000.00 |
| Memorial Day | | 250.00 |
| Parks and Playgrounds Inc. Band Concerts | | 300.00 |
| Water and Electric Utilities | | 10,000.00 |
| Cemeteries | | 50.00 |
| Interest | | 1,150.00 |
| Payments on Principal of Debt | | 2,500.00 |
| County Tax | | 4,095.14 |
| School Tax | | 36,875.85 |
| Total Town and School Appropriations | | $96,290.99 |
| Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits: | | |
| Interest and Dividend Tax | $436.99 | |
| Railroad Tax | 51.49 | |
| Savings Bank Tax | 687.40 | |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 1,751.31 | |
| Interest Received on Taxes | 417.50 | |
| Water and Electric Departments | 3,886.27 | |
| Total Revenues and Credits | | 7,230.96 |
| | | $89,060.03 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Plus Overlay | | 1,025.80 |
| Net Amount to be raised by Taxation | | $90.085.83 |
| Less: Poll Taxes at $2.00 | 1,290.00 | |
| | | 1,290.00 |
| Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured. | | $88,795.83 |

**Taxes to be Committed to Collector:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Property Taxes | $88,795.83 |
| Poll Taxes at $2.00 | 1.290.00 |
| Total Taxes to be Committed | $90.085.83 |
| Tax Rate—approved by Tax. Comm. | $5.30 |

## BALANCE SHEET

| Assets | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Accounts Due to the Town—** | | |
| Due from State: | | |
| (b) Bounties | $21.50 | |
| Other bills due Town: | | |
| (a) Water rents | 1,653.64 | |
| Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on account of) | | |
| (b) Levy of 1947 | 952.54 | |
| (c) Levy of 1946 | 204.16 | |
| (d) Previous Years | 125.24 | |
| **Uncollected Taxes:** | | |
| (b) Levy of 1947 | 21,855.28 | |
| (c) Levy of 1947 | 94.75 | |
| (d) Previous Years | 65.61 | |
| | 15.20 | |
| Total Assets | | $24,987.92 |
| Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt) | | 47,118.53 |
| Grand Total | | $72,105.95 |
| Net Debt—December 31, 1947 | $31,647.97 | |
| Net Debt—December 31, 1948 | 47,118.53 | |
| Increase of Debt | 15,470.56 | |
| Town Hall, Truck, Water System reason for increase. | | |

| Liabilities | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Accounts Owed by the Town** | | |
| Over-draft | $888.59 | |
| Bills outstanding | 636.00 | |
| Due to State—Special $3 Poll Taxes: | | |
| (a) Uncollected — due State when collected (1944 $9.00) (1945 $12.00) | 21.00 | |
| (b) Collected — not remitted to State Treas. (1944 $186.00) (1945 $102.00) | 288.00 | |
| Due to School Districts: | | |
| (a) Dog licenses | 257.50 | |
| (b) Balance of approp. | 11,942.30 | |
| **State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:** | | |
| (b) Unexpended balance in Town Treasury | 3,072.00 | |
| **Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes:** | 23,000.00 | |
| **Long Term Notes Outstanding:** | | |
| Town Hall | 6,000.00 | |
| Truck (snow removal equip.) | 10,500.00 | |
| Refunding Notes | 9,000.00 | |
| **Bonds Outstanding:** | | |
| Refunding Bonds | 6,500.00 | |
| Total Liabilities | | $72,105.39 |
| Grand Total | | $72,105.39 |

## UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

### Receipts

**Current Revenue:**

**From Local Taxes:** (Collected & remitted to Treas.)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Property taxes — Current yr. .. | $66,726.94 | |
| Poll taxes — current year. — regular @ $2 ..... | 798.00 | |
| National Bank Stock Taxes ... | 15.00 | |
| Property taxes — Prev. yrs. ... | | 67,539.94 |
| Poll taxes — previous years. — regular @ $2 ..... | | 15,844.92 |
| Interest received on taxes ..... | | 537.65 |
| Tax sales redeemed ..... | | 767.98 |

**From State:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Interest and dividend tax ..... | 557.80 |
| Railroad tax ..... | 58.53 |
| Savings bank tax ..... | 499.72 |
| Blister Rust Refund ..... | .69 |
| Income Highway Dept. ..... | 51.70 |
| Fighting forest fires ..... | 98.84 |
| Bounties ..... | 21.50 |
| Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance ..... | 5.00 |

**From County:**

| | |
|---|---|
| For support of poor ..... | .01 |

### Payments

**Current Maintenance Expenses:**

**General Government:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Town officers' salaries ..... | $1,718.39 |
| Town officers' expenses ..... | 1,145.25 |
| Election and registration exp. . | 391.30 |
| Expenses town hall and other town buildings ..... | 768.15 |

**Protection of Persons & Property:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Police department ..... | 489.00 |
| Fire department, including forest fires ..... | 3,915.29 |
| Moth extermination — Blister Rust ..... | 300.00 |
| Bounties ..... | 21.50 |
| Damage by dogs ..... | 63.50 |

**Health:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Health department, including hospitals ..... | 1,811.26 |

**Highways and Bridges:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Maintenance— (Summer—$4,931.70) (Winter—$4,529.05) ..... | 9,460.75 |
| Street lighting and sprinkling . | 1,580.04 |
| General Expenses of Highway Department ..... | 4,676.25 |

**Libraries:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Libraries ..... | 900.00 |

## Receipts—Continued

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **From Local Sources, Except Taxes:** | | |
| Dog licenses | | 321.00 |
| Business licenses and permits | | 34.00 |
| Rent of town property | | 141.30 |
| Approp. to general municipal funds from municipally owned utilities | | 4,040.44 |
| Registration of motor vehicles, 1948 Permits | | 2,657.59 |
| Tot. Current Revenue Receipts | | $93,163.61 |
| **Receipts Other than Current Revenue:** | | |
| Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year | $54,500.00 | |
| Town Northfield, poor relief | 200.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 354.94 | |
| Insurance, town shed fire | 58.96 | |

## Payments—Continued

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Public Welfare:** | | |
| Old age assistance | 2,892.96 | |
| Town poor | 1,230.46 | |
| **Patriotic Purposes:** | | |
| Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations | 250.00 | |
| **Recreation:** | | |
| Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts | 300.00 | |
| **Public Service Enterprises:** | | |
| Appropriations to water and electric utilities | 13,476.68 | |
| Cemeteries, includ. hearse hire | 50.00 | |
| **Unclassified:** | | |
| Taxes bought by town | 1,013.44 | |
| Discounts, Abatements & refunds | 20.85 | |
| Tot. Current Maintenance Exp. | 46,475.04 | |
| **Interest:** | | |
| Interest | $1,093.84 | |
| Total Interest Payments | | 1,093.84 |
| **Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:** | | |
| Highways & Bridges — State Aid Construction | $1,896.00 | |

**Receipts—Continued**

| | |
|---|---|
| Tot. Receipts Other than Current Revenue | $55,113.90 |
| Tot. Receipts from All Sources | $148,292.51 |
| Cash on hand January 1, 1948 | 3,232.36 |
| Grand Total | $151,524.87 |

**Payments—Continued**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Highways & Bridges — Town construction | 3,411.03 | |
| Land & buildings — Town Hall | 6,000.00 | |
| New equipment — truck | 14,984.20 | |
| Total Outlay Payments | | 26,291.23 |
| **Indebtedness:** | | |
| Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes | $33,000.00 | |
| Payments on long term notes | 1,000.00 | |
| Payments on bonded debt | 1,500.00 | |
| Total Indebtedness Payments | | 35,500.00 |
| **Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:** | | |
| Taxes paid to County | $4,167.98 | |
| Miscellaneous | 185.37 | |
| Payments to School Dists. | 37,700.00 | |
| Tot. Payments to Other Governmental Divisions | | 43,053.35 |
| Total Payments for all Purposes | | 152,413.46 |
| Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1948 — Overdraft | | 888.59 |
| Grand Total | | $151,524.87 |

## TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

| Year Due | Town Hall Iona Saving 3% | Refunding Bonds 4% | Refunding Notes 2½ % | Truck & Plow 2¼ % | Refunding Temporary Loans | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1949 | $1000 | $1500 | $1000 | $3500 | $1000 | $8000 |
| 1950 | 1000 | 1500 | 1000 | 3500 | 1000 | 8000 |
| 1951 | 1000 | 1500 | 1000 | 3500 | 1000 | 8000 |
| 1952 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | | 4000 | 7000 |
| 1953 | 1000 | 500 | 1000 | | 4000 | 6500 |
| 1954 | 1000 | 500 | 1000 | | 4000 | 6500 |
| 1955 | | | 1000 | | 4000 | 5000 |
| 1956 | | | 1000 | | 4000 | 5000 |
| 1957 | | | 1000 | | | 1000 |
| 1958 | | | | | | |
| | $6000 | $6500 | $9000 | $10500 | $23000 | $55000 |

## BONDS OUTSTANDING

See above

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 37. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1949 | $500.00 |
| 38. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1949 | 500.00 |
| 39. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1949 | 500.00 |
| 40. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1950 | 500.00 |
| 41. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1950 | 500.00 |
| 42. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1950 | 500.00 |
| 43. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1951 | 500.00 |
| 44. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1951 | 500.00 |
| 45. | Laconia Savings Bank | 1951 | 500.00 |
| 46. | Fred H. Piper | 1952 | 500.00 |
| 47. | Fred H. Piper | 1952 | 500.00 |
| 48. | Oscar L. Young Est. | 1953 | 500.00 |
| 49. | Oscar L. Young Est. | 1954 | 500.00 |
| | | | $6,500.00 |

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Hall, Lands and Buildings | $6,000.00 |
| Libraries, Lands and Buildings | 25,000.00 |
| Fire Department, Lands and Buildings | 3,500.00 |
| Highway Department, Lands and Buildings | 8,000.00 |
| Equipment | 18,000.00 |
| Materials and Supplies | 2,000.00 |
| Water Supply, if owned by Town | 22,000.00 |
| Schools, Lands and Buildings | 35,000.00 |
| Equipment | 3,000.00 |
| All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds | 500.00 |
| Total | $123,000.00 |

## REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

### Auto Permits

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Permits Issued | | 688 | |
| Number of Pleasure Cars | 596 | | |
| Number of Trucks | 88 | | |
| Number of Motorcycles | 4 | | |
| Amount received for Permits | | | $2,498.08 |

### Dog Licenses

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1947 Licenses | $31.00 | |
| 1948 Licenses | 209.00 | |
| Amount collected | | $240.00 |

GUY L. HAMEL,
Town Clerk.

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT—LEVY OF 1944

### DEBIT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1948 | | |
| Property tax | $11.60 | |
| 3 poll taxes @ $2.00 | 6.00 | |
| 3 poll taxes @ $3.00 | 9.00 | |
| | | $26.60 |

### CREDIT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Remittance to Treasurer during year | | |
| Property taxes | $3.40 | |
| 3 polls—regular | 6.00 | |
| 3 polls—special | 9.00 | |
| Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1949 | 8.20 | |
| | | $26.60 |

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT—LEVY OF 1945

### DEBIT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1948 | | |
| Property taxes | $7.57 | |
| 5 poll taxes—regular | 10.00 | |
| 4 poll taxes—special | 12.00 | |
| Interest collected during year | .37 | |
| | | $29.94 |

### CREDIT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Remittance to Treasurer during year | | |
| Property | $ .82 | |
| 3 regular polls | 9.00 | |
| 3 special polls | 9.00 | |
| Interest collected | .37 | |
| | $19.19 | |
| Uncollected taxes Jan. 1, 1949 | 7.00 | |
| Excess credits | 3.75 | |
| | | $29.94 |

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT—LEVY OF 1946

### DEBIT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1948 | | |
| Property | $63.31 | |
| Polls | 44.00 | |
| Interest | 11.85 | |
| | | $119.16 |

### CREDIT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Remittance to Treasurer during year | | |
| Property tax | $16.80 | |
| Polls | 24.00 | |
| Interest | 11.85 | |
| Abatement made during year | | |
| Property | 2.90 | |
| Uncollected as of Jan. 1, 1949 | | |
| Property | 43.61 | |
| Polls | 22.00 | |
| | $121.16 | |
| Excess credits | 2.00 | |
| | | $119.16 |

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT—LEVY OF 1947

Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 1948

### DEBIT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Uncollected taxes, Dec. 31, 1947 | | | |
| Property | $15,493.94 | | |
| Polls | 546.00 | | |
| | | $16,039.94 | |
| Taxes added during year | | | |
| Property | $136.25 | | |
| Polls | 44.00 | | |
| | | $180.25 | |
| Interest collected during year | | 519.74 | |
| | | | $16,739.93 |

CREDIT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Remittance to Treasurer during year | | | |
| Property | $15,301.29 | | |
| Polls | 4.66 | | |
| | | $15,767.29 | |
| Abatements made during year | | | |
| Property | $424.55 | | |
| Polls | 54.00 | | |
| | | $478.55 | |
| Interest collected during year | | 519.74 | |
| Uncollected taxes, Dec. 31, 1948 | | | |
| Property | $18.75 | | |
| Polls | 76.00 | | |
| | | 94.75 | |
| Total credits | | | $16,860.30 |
| Less excess credits | | | 120.37 |
| | | | $16,739.93 |

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT—LEVY OF 1948

Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 1948

DEBIT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Taxes committed to Collector | | | |
| Property taxes | $88,663.54 | | |
| Poll taxes | 1,290.00 | | |
| | | $89,953.54 | |
| Taxes added during year | | | |
| Property taxes | $736.70 | | |
| 24 poll taxes | 48.00 | | |
| National Bank Stock tax | 6.00 | | |
| | | $790.70 | |
| Interest collected during year | | 3.37 | |
| Total debits | | | $90,747.61 |

## CREDIT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Remittance to Treasurer during year | | |
| Property taxes | $66,726.94 | |
| 397 poll taxes | 794.00 | |
| | | $67,520.94 |
| Abatement made during year | | |
| Property tax | $524.70 | |
| 28 poll taxes | 56.00 | |
| | | $580.70 |
| Discount allowed | | 787.32 |
| Interest collected | | 3.37 |
| Uncollected taxes, Dec. 31, 1948 | | |
| Property taxes | $21,359.28 | |
| 248 poll taxes | 496.00 | |
| | | $21,855.28 |
| Total credits | | $90,747.61 |

# SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNT

**Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 1948**

## DEBIT

| | 1944 | 1945 | 1946 | 1947 | Int. | Fees |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1948 | $14.70 | $95.00 | $24.50 | | .81 | |
| Unredeemed taxes, Jan. 1, 1948 | 2.82 | 224.55 | 475.08 | 285.95 | | |
| Delinquent taxes, levy of 1947 | | | | 234.35 | | |
| Tax sale, levy of 1947 | | | | 779.06 | | |
| Interest collected | | | | | 10.41 | |
| Fees | | | | | | 7.88 |
| | $17.52 | $319.55 | $499.58 | $1,299.36 | $11.22 | $7.88 |

## CREDIT

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Remittance to Treasurer during year | $17.52 | $200.22 | $295.42 | $254.82 | $11.22 | $1.97 |
| Abatements during year | | | | 92.00 | | |
| Unredeemed taxes, Dec. 31, 1948 | | 119.33 | 204.16 | 952.54 | | 5.91 |
| | $17.52 | $319.55 | $499.58 | $1,299.36 | $11.22 | $7.88 |

# TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

## Detailed Statement of Receipts — 1948

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **January** | | | |
| 1 | Cash on hand | $3,232.36 | |
| 12 | Guy L. Hamel, auto permits | 159.50 | |
| 12 | Guy L. Hamel, dog licenses | 101.40 | |
| 13 | Earl Ellsworth, telephone calls | 11.23 | |
| | | | $3,504.49 |
| **February** | | | |
| 4 | Philip Bryant, sale of scrap iron | $14.43 | |
| 6 | Harold Jones, plowing snow | 7.00 | |
| 6 | Treasurer Belknap County, refund on tax | .01 | |
| 9 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 1,730.88 | |
| 9 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-1948 | 285.75 | |
| 9 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1946-1947 | 3.50 | |
| 9 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1945-1946 | 14.00 | |
| 25 | State Treasurer, refund on Old Age Assistance | 5.00 | |
| 27 | Philip Bryant, plowing snow | 10.00 | |
| | | | 2,070.57 |
| **March** | | | |
| 1 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | $1,040.71 | |
| 1 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 16.63 | |
| 1 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1941-42 | 9.70 | |
| 1 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1944-45 | 13.00 | |
| 1 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1945-46 | 35.00 | |
| 1 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1946-47 | 13.00 | |
| 1 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-48 | 115.00 | |
| 1 | Selectmen, revolver permit | .50 | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,107.45 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 512.25 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 5.61 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 levy | 24.80 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 10.38 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1946-47 | 7.00 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-48 | 18.00 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, tax sales redeemed 1945 | 75.00 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, tax sales redeemed 1945 | 20.00 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, tax sales redeemed 1946 | 24.50 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, tax sales redeemed 1944-45-46 | 43.72 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, tax sales redeemed 1947 | 5.45 | |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | .86 | |
| 12 | Guy L. Hamel, auto permits | 574.18 | |
| 22 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,107.45 | |
| 22 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 811.21 | |
| 22 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 10.63 | |
| 24 | Socony Vacuum Oil Co., refund | 61.08 | |
| 26 | Philip Bryant, sale of culvert pipe | 14.40 | |
| 30 | F. W. Horne & Co., bank loan | 14,829.37 | |
| | | | 20,506.88 |

April

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | $1,065.71 | |
| 5 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 32.34 | |
| 17 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,107.45 | |
| 21 | Iona Savings Bank, loan for purchase of Town Hall | 6,000.00 | |
| 26 | Philip Bryant, use of cement mixer | 3.00 | |
| 26 | N. J. Rhodes, pool table license | 10.00 | |
| 26 | Selectmen, revolver license | .50 | |
| 26 | Guy L. Hamel, 1947 auto permits | 50.07 | |
| 26 | Guy L. Hamel, 1947 dog taxes | 28.20 | |
| 26 | Guy L. Hamel, 1948 auto permits | 360.09 | |
| | | | 8,657.36 |

**May**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | $382.44 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 7.31 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1943-44 | 7.00 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1944-45 | 7.00 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1945-46 | 30.13 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1946-47 | 22.50 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-48 | 161.00 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, tax sales redeemed | 90.15 | |
| 4 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 2.86 | |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,357.45 | |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 537.90 | |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 6.72 | |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 tax sale acct. | 10.00 | |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, 1944 poll taxes | 10.00 | |
| 22 | Lawrence Grange, rent of hall | 7.00 | |
| | | | 2,639.46 |

**June**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | Selectmen, revolver license | $ .50 | |
| 14 | National Liberty Ins. Co., fire damage in Town shed | 58.96 | |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 poll taxes | 32.00 | |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 1,062.41 | |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,189.65 | |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, 1945 tax sale acct. | 75.00 | |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 36.71 | |
| 26 | Philip Bryant, repairing Camp Road | 10.00 | |
| 26 | Citizens National Bank, 1948 bank stock tax | 15.00 | |
| 30 | Iona Savings Bank, loan | 3,000.00 | |
| 30 | Selectmen, rent of town hall | 3.00 | |
| | | | 5,483.23 |

**July**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | $808.50 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 626.36 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 25.77 | |
| 12 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,145.45 | |
| 12 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 274.50 | |
| 12 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 10.88 | |
| 16 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 651.00 | |
| 16 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 548.12 | |
| 16 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 21.50 | |
| 26 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1946-47 | 1.00 | |
| 26 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-48 | 388.76 | |
| 26 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 58.00 | |
| 26 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 3,058.42 | |
| 26 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 108.66 | |
| 26 | Russell H. Cushing, 1945 redemption | 19.18 | |
| 26 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 tax redemption | 15.82 | |
| 27 | Rapert L. Moore, rent of hall | 4.00 | |
| 27 | N. J. Rhodes, pool table license | 10.00 | |
| 27 | State Treasurer, bounty on hedgehogs | 21.50 | |
| 29 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 66.52 | |
| 29 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 721.19 | |
| 29 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 16.19 | |
| | | | 8,601.32 |

August

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | | $1,555.68 |
| 9 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 358.97 | |
| 9 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 12.71 | |
| 18 | Phyllis A. Carey, tarring driveway | 20.00 | |
| 18 | Ralph Bryant, 25 gal. tar | 4.38 | |
| 23 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,890.36 | |
| 23 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 1,064.94 | |
| 23 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 52.90 | |
| 23 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 tax redemption | 35.00 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 2,422.54 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 866.00 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 33.60 | |
| | | | 8,317.08 |

September

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 2 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | $4,665.05 |
| 2 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 37.50 |
| 7 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 3,762.41 |
| 7 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 19.25 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 7 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 1.13 |
| 7 | Russell H. Cushing, water rent, 1946-47 | 10.00 |
| 7 | Russell H. Cushing, water rent, 1947-48 | 74.67 |
| 7 | Russell H. Cushing, water rent, 1948-49 | 592.00 |
| 8 | F. W. Horne & Co., loan | 9,950.00 |
| 14 | Claude Wm. Sharpe, revolver permit | .50 |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 11,867.82 |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 120.00 |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 18.80 |
| 14 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 tax redemption | 35.00 |
| 19 | Phyllis A. Carey, tarring driveway | 15.13 |
| 20 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,095.69 |
| 20 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 12.43 |
| 20 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 6.12 |
| 20 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 sale redemption | 10.00 |
| 20 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1948-49 | 387.00 |
| 21 | State of N. H. Highway Dept., rent of equipment | 36.00 |
| 27 | Burleigh Torrey, revolver permit | .50 |
| 27 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 1,958.26 |
| 27 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 171.08 |
| 27 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 21.34 |
| 27 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 tax redemption | 10.00 |
| 30 | Town of Loudon, N. H., rent of grader | 33.50 |
| | | $34,911.18 |

**October**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll taxes | $22.00 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 poll taxes | 10.00 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 2,919.03 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 671.20 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 63.94 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 tax redemption | 115.89 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 tax redemption | 19.00 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-48 | 7.50 |
| 6 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1948-49 | 206.00 |
| 11 | Ledger Parent, rent of cement mixer | 5.00 |
| 11 | State of N. H., forest fire-training | 4.60 |
| 11 | State of N. H., forest fires | 5.48 |
| 11 | State of N. H., forest fires | 65.26 |
| 18 | Mr. and Mrs. John Dube, rent of hall | 7.00 |
| 18 | Henry Lebrecque, revolver permit | .50 |
| 21 | State of N. H., forest fires | 7.00 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll tax | 34.00 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 poll tax | 4.00 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, 1945 poll tax | 4.00 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, 1945 special poll tax | 6.00 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 2,829.21 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, tax sale fees | 1.97 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, 1945 levy | .82 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | .28 | |
| 25 | Russell H. Cushing, tax redemption | 97.72 | |
| 25 | Harry Howland, 3 gals. Prestone | 10.50 | |
| 27 | M. J. McNamara, gravel | 33.00 | |
| 27 | M. J. McNamara, use of cement mixer | 42.00 | |
| | | | 7,192.90 |

November

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Rachel Bryant, 1 gal. Prestone | $3.50 | |
| 1 | David Ricard, rent of hall | 6.00 | |
| 1 | Marine Corp League Inc., rent of hall | 7.00 | |
| 1 | Lincoln Noel, rent of store part of month | 26.80 | |
| 8 | Marine Corp League Inc., rent of hall | 7.00 | |
| 15 | N. J. Rhodes, pool table license | 10.00 | |
| 15 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll taxes | 26.00 | |
| 15 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 3,148.99 | |
| 15 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 4.34 | |
| 15 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 tax redemption | 19.31 | |
| 15 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-48 | 44.33 | |
| 15 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1948-49 | 910.97 | |
| 18 | F. W. Horne & Co., loan on new equipment | 10,500.00 | |
| 19 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll taxes | 10.00 | |
| 19 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 2,198.64 | |
| 19 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 interest | .26 | |
| 29 | David Ricard, Jr., rent of hall for Basketball | 14.50 | |
| 29 | State of N. H. Forestry Dept., refund on White Pine Blister | .69 | |
| 29 | Marine Corp League Inc., rent of hall | 7.00 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 poll taxes | 4.00 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | .28 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll taxes | 32.00 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 4,983.41 | |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1948-49 | 190.18 | |
| | | | 22,155.20 |

**December**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 2 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll taxes | $62.00 |
| 2 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 9,686.07 |
| 2 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1948-49 | 261.00 |
| 6 | Harry Howland, 1 gal. Prestone | 3.50 |
| 10 | Town of Northfield, refund on Claude Patton acct. | 200.00 |
| 13 | John S. Rhodes, revolver permit | .50 |
| 13 | Alfred Rhodes, revolver permit | .50 |
| 13 | Lincoln Noel, rent of store | 40.00 |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll taxes | 14.00 |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 2,812.57 |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | .60 |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1947-48 | 115.45 |
| 13 | Russell H. Cushing, water tax, 1948-49 | 110.00 |
| 18 | Philip Bryant, use of grader | 10.50 |
| 20 | Treas. State of N. H., fire prevention | 16.50 |
| 20 | Treas. State of N. H., equip. & gravel | 29.20 |
| 21 | Peoples Nat'l. Bank, temporary loan | 9,973.54 |
| 21 | Treas. State of N. H., use of equipment | 22.50 |
| 23 | Treas. State of N. H., Building & Loan and Savings Bank tax | 499.72 |
| 23 | Treas. State of N. H., railroad tax | 58.53 |
| 23 | Treas. State of N. H., interest and dividends tax | 557.80 |
| 30 | Philip Bryant, use of cement mixer | 4.00 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll tax | 16.00 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 875.33 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 1.00 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 interest | 2.77 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 interest | 1.38 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 interest | 1.78 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 tax redemption | 15.15 |
| 30 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 tax redemption | 32.09 |
| 31 | Selectmen, interest on loans | 247.09 |
| 31 | David Ricard, Jr., rent of town hall | 12.00 |
| 31 | Guy L. Hamel, 1948 auto permits | 1,299.11 |
| 31 | Guy L. Hamel, 1948 dog licenses | 191.40 |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, 1946 poll taxes | 16.00 |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | 1.47 |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, 1945 poll taxes | 5.00 |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | .37 |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, 1944 poll taxes | 5.00 |

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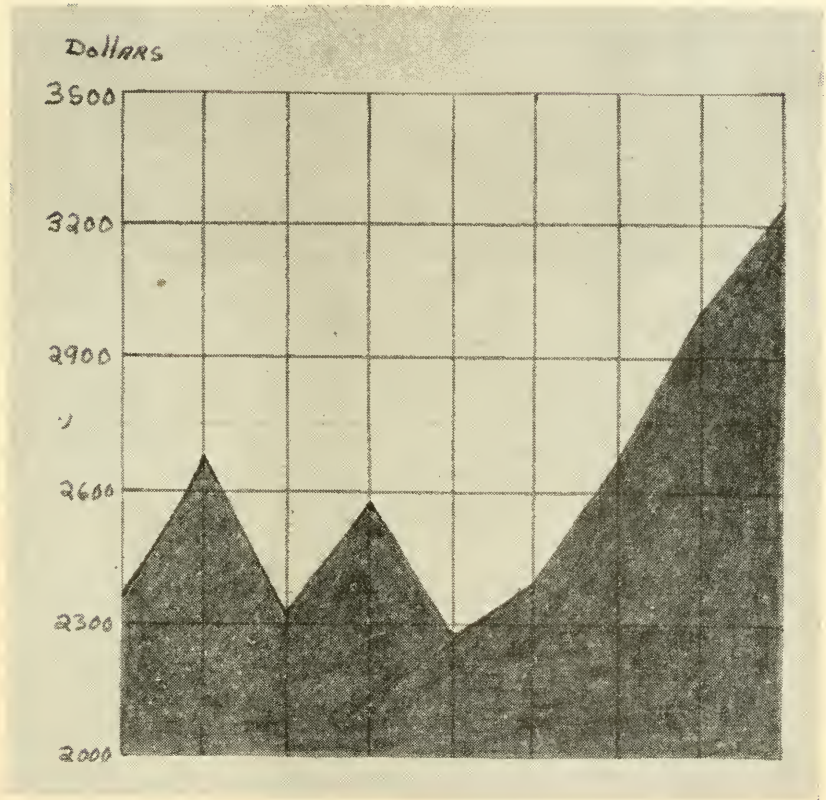
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, 1944 levy | 3.40 | |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, interest | .53 | |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 levy | 34.96 | |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, 1948 poll taxes | 2.00 | |
| 31 | Russell H. Cushing, 1947 levy | 28.25 | |
| 31 | Guy L. Hamel, 1948 auto permits | 214.64 | |
| | | | 27,485.20 |
| | TOTAL FOR YEAR | | $151,524.87 |




TOWN GOVERNMENT COSTS

## RECEIPTS

| | |
|---|---|
| **From Local Taxes:** | |
| R. H. Cushing, current year, property | $66,726.94 |
| R. H. Cushing, current year, polls | 798.00 |
| R. H. Cushing, previous year, property | 15,844.92 |
| R. H. Cushing, interest | 537.65 |
| R. H. Cushing, redemption | 767.98 |
| R. H. Cushing, National Bank Stock tax | 15.00 |
| **From State:** | |
| Interest and Dividend tax | $557.80 |
| Railroad tax | 58.53 |
| Building and Loan tax | 499.72 |
| Income of Highway Dept. | 51.70 |
| Forest Fires | 98.84 |
| Old Age Assistance | 5.00 |
| Blister Rust | .69 |
| Bounties | 21.50 |
| **From County:** | |
| Refund | .01 |
| **From Local Sources:** | |
| Dog Licenses | 321.00 |
| Business Licenses and Permits | 34.00 |
| Rent of Town Property | 141.30 |
| R. H. Cushing (water rent) | 4,040.44 |
| Guy L. Hamel, motor vehicle permits | 2,657.59 |
| **Other Revenue:** | |
| F. W. Horne & Co. | $14,829.37 |
| Iona Savings Bank | 6,000.00 |
| Iona Savings Bank | 3,000.00 |
| F. W. Horne & Co. | 9,950.00 |
| F. W. Horne & Co. | 10,500.00 |
| Peoples National Bank | 9,973.54 |
| Selectman, "interest" | 247.09 |
| Town of Northfield, Welfare refund (C. Patton) | 200.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 354.94 |
| Insurance, Town "shed fire" | 58.96 |

## PAYMENTS

| | Appropriations | Payments |
|---|---|---|
| Town Officers salaries | $1,800.00 | $1,718.39 |
| Town Officers expenses | 850.00 | 1,145.25 |
| Election and Registration expenses | 325.00 | 391.30 |
| Police Department | 500.00 | 489.00 |
| Fire Department | 2,900.00 | 3,915.29 |
| Blister Rust—Moth Extermination | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Health Department | 1,900.00 | 1,811.26 |
| State Aid Construction | 3,345.00 | 1,896.00 |
| Town Maintenance, Summer | 5,000.00 | 4,931.70 |
| Town Maintenance, Winter | 4,500.00 | 4,529.05 |
| Town Construction (Union Rd.) | 3,500.00 | 3,411.03 |
| Street Lighting | 1,650.00 | 1,580.04 |
| General Expenses of Highway Dept. | 5,500.00 | 4,676.25 |
| Water System Survey | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| New Equipment | 4,500.00 | 14,984.20 |
| Libraries | 900.00 | 900.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 2,500.00 | 2,892.96 |
| Town Poor | 1,000.00 | 1,230.46 |
| Memorial Day | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| Band Concerts | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Water and Electric Utilities | 10,000.00 | 13,476.68 |
| Cemeteries | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Interest | 1,150.00 | 1,093.84 |
| Payments on Principal of Debt | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| County Tax | 4,095.14 | 4,167.98 |
| School Tax | 36,875.85 | 38,700.00 |
| Total Town and School Approp. | $96,290.99 | |
| Town Hall | $6,000.00 | 768.15 |
| Bounties | | 21.50 |
| Damage by Dogs | | 63.50 |
| Abatements and Refunds | | 20.85 |
| Miscellaneous | | 85.37 |

# DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

## TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

| | |
|---|---|
| Harry Howland, Selectman | $200.00 |
| Harold Jones, Selectman | 200.00 |
| Royal W. Smith, Selectman | 200.00 |
| Wilson Mansfield, Treasurer | 120.00 |
| Russlel H. Cushing, Collector | 750.39 |
| Guy L. Hamel, Town Clerk | 238.00 |
| Lyle R. Heath, Moderator | 10.00 |
| | $1,718.39 |

## TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

| | |
|---|---|
| Harry Howland, Selectman | $50.00 |
| Harold Jones, Selectman | 56.15 |
| Royal W. Smith, Selectman | 50.00 |
| Wilson Mansfield, supplies and postage | 66.74 |
| Russell H. Cushing, postage, printing, etc. | 63.74 |
| Guy Hamel, supplies | 90.00 |
| Nellie Chaplain, copying inventory | 20.00 |
| John Lyford, clerical work | 70.00 |
| Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies | 16.54 |
| Thomas C. Rhodes, painting sign | 5.00 |
| New England Tel. & Tel. Co., service | 72.72 |
| Lincoln Noel, election officers dinners | 22.35 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co., lights selectman's office | 21.34 |
| Nighswander & Lord, legal service | 10.33 |
| U. S. Auto & Truck Guide, 1948 issue | 4.50 |
| Peoples National Bank, service charges | 14.20 |
| Carroll Stafford, listing | 1.10 |
| Association of N. H. Assessors, dues | 2.00 |
| Brown & Saltmarsh, books and supplies | 81.60 |
| Citizen Publishing Co., printing town reports | 391.90 |
| Laconia Savings Bank, safe deposit box | 3.00 |
| Prescott's Flower Shop, flowers (Phillips) | 5.00 |
| Mahers Book Store, repairing adding machine | 15.00 |
| Wheeler & Clark, supplies | 12.14 |
| | $1,145.25 |

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Ellis N. Blaisdell, supervisors pay | $212.00 |
| Carl Sanborn, ballot clerks pay | 60.00 |
| Donald Leith, policing elections | 11.00 |
| Walter Harris, policing elections | 6.00 |
| Dave Ricard, Jr., erecting booths | 7.50 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co., rent of hall | 50.00 |
| Mrs. John Dube, election officers meals | 26.30 |
| Edward L. Lydiard, printing ballots | 15.50 |
| Citizen Publishing Co., printing notice | 3.00 |
| | $391.30 |

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| Victor Allard, salary and expense | $460.00 |
| Johnson & Keller, legal service | 9.00 |
| Franklin Paint Co., paint street marking | 20.00 |
| | $489.00 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| American LaFrance, hose | $831.02 |
| Ellis N. Blaisdell, forest fires | 95.50 |
| Fred's Filling Station, gas and supplies | 126.24 |
| New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone | 99.25 |
| J. H. Labbe, fuel oil | 121.93 |
| Central N. H. Insurance Co., liability | 450.74 |
| Rogers Garage, truck | 482.78 |
| Howard Reed, labor | 3.20 |
| C. H. Dorval, parts for truck | 15.93 |
| Earl Ellsworth, forest fires | 107.65 |
| Cantin Chevrolet Co., parts for truck | 4.75 |
| Town of Tilton, forest fires | 26.40 |
| Thomas Rhodes, sign painting | 15.00 |
| Robert Leroux, repairs | 4.90 |
| Ellis Blaisdell, Treasurer, Winnisquam | 400.00 |
| | $2,785.29 |

## FIREMEN SALARIES

| | |
|---|---|
| Howard Reed | $129.50 |
| William Hill | 86.50 |
| Ernest Bouchard | 31.00 |

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|---|---|
| Leslie Smith | 51.50 |
| Leo Ricard | 28.50 |
| Clifford Robichaud | 26.50 |
| Hebbert Higgins | 27.50 |
| Robert Leroux | 65.50 |
| Robert Dearborn | 87.50 |
| Henry Fogg | 38.50 |
| Gerry Torrey | 29.00 |
| Burleigh Torrey | 39.50 |
| Roland Thompson | 85.00 |
| Donald Leith | 24.50 |
| Thomas Roach | 8.50 |
| Sumner Weeks | 49.00 |
| Harold Reed | 55.50 |
| Wilson Mansfield | 53.50 |
| Lomer Theberge | 53.50 |
| Charles Lyman, Jr. | 44.00 |
| George Heath | 16.50 |
| Robert Bordeau | 5.75 |
| Clement Hamilton | 5.25 |
| Mrs. Howard Read | 40.00 |
| Belmont Fire Dept. | 15.00 |
| Earl Ellsworth | 33.00 |
| | $1,130.00 |

## BLISTER RUST

| | |
|---|---|
| State of New Hampshire | $300.00 |

## BOUNTIES

| | |
|---|---|
| Harold Jones | $9.50 |
| Royal Smith | 5.00 |
| Harry Howland | 7.00 |
| | $21.50 |

## DAMAGE BY DOGS

| | |
|---|---|
| Lawrence Clairmont | $57.50 |
| Donald Leith | 6.00 |
| | $63.50 |

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| Ralph Bryant, health officer | $70.55 |
| Earl Ellsworth, dump fire | 145.71 |

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|---|---|
| Brooksie's, bulldozing dump | 49.00 |
| Philip Bryant, bulldozing dump | 5.00 |
| Robert Allard, bulldozing dump | 5.00 |
| Ledger Parent, collection rubbish | 1,536.00 |
| | $1,811.26 |

## CEMETERIES

| | |
|---|---|
| R. H. Cushing, treasurer | $50.00 |

## TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

| | |
|---|---|
| R. H. Cushing, collector | $1,013.41 |

## MISCELLANEOUS

| | |
|---|---|
| Central N. H. Ins. Co., premesis Ins. | $33.97 |
| Charles Raymond, transfer card | 51.40 |
| Ned Spaulding, water survey | 100.00 |
| R. H. Cushing, tax rebate | 20.85 |
| | $206.22 |

## INTEREST

| | |
|---|---|
| Peoples National Bank, interest | $572.50 |
| Laconia Savings Bank, interest | 210.00 |
| Iona Savings Bank, interest | 24.25 |
| Wilson Mansfield, temporary loan | 247.09 |
| Fred H. Piper, coupons | 40.00 |
| | $1,093.84 |

## STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

| | |
|---|---|
| Treasurer State of N. H., 1948 appropriation | $1,896.00 |

## TOWN POOR

| | |
|---|---|
| Lyle Heath, aid to George Sawyer | $26.00 |
| A & P Tea Co., aid to Claude Patten | 200.00 |
| Public Service Co., aid to George Sawyer | 7.74 |
| A. R. Tasker, aid to George Sawyer | 171.10 |
| Prescott's Pharmacy, aid to George Sawyer | 9.76 |
| Louis Wuelper, aid to George Sawyer | 15.75 |
| A. A. Jewett & Son, aid to George Sawyer | 61.50 |
| Nathan Brody, aid to Mrs. Ring | 50.00 |
| Belknap County Home, aid to John Swamstead | 342.86 |
| Belknap County Home, aid to Ernest Morrison | 324.45 |

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|---|---|
| Registry of Deeds, deed from Morrison | 1.30 |
| Maynard Smith, aid to Mrs. Ring | 20.00 |
| | $1,230.46 |

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | |
|---|---|
| Mildred Tasker | $900.00 |

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

| | |
|---|---|
| State of New Hampshire | $2,892.96 |

## MEMORIAL DAY

| | |
|---|---|
| Bolik Kizala | $150.00 |
| Wilson Mansfield | 100.00 |
| | $250.00 |

## BAND CONCERTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Guy L. Hamel | $300.00 |

## WATER WORKS

| | |
|---|---|
| Ralph Bryant | $1,676.15 |
| Pearce Perry Co. | 2,244.36 |
| C. E. Marden | 16.06 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co. | 1,039.62 |
| Merrimack Farmers' Exchange | 232.64 |
| Johnson Barker | 22.92 |
| Bryant & Lawrence | 3.68 |
| B. G. Walker | 297.98 |
| Henry LeBrecque | 40.00 |
| Tilton Construction Co. | 145.27 |
| George Frazier | 47.20 |
| Twin State Gravel Well Corp. | 401.00 |
| Rolfe Camp Co. | 34.70 |
| Utility Supply Corp. | 2,248.60 |
| Eddy Valve Co. | 271.40 |
| F. & M. Co. of Manchester | 4,280.26 |
| J. J. Morin | 187.04 |
| Northern Heating & Plumbing Co. | 50.00 |
| Edgar G. Belrose | 142.12 |
| Laconia Electric Co. | 7.16 |
| Laconia Water Co. | 52.25 |

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|---|---|
| Leon Gray | 6.75 |
| Thomas O'Mara | 20.32 |
| Harold Jones | 1.20 |
| | $13,468.68 |

## GENERAL EXPENSES HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| Wilson Mansfield, express | $4.85 |
| Belmont Garage, parts | 9.00 |
| Ralph Smith, gas | 90.20 |
| John Guay Hardware Co., hardware | 2.84 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co., lights | 40.44 |
| Cantin Chev. Co., parts | 160.93 |
| C. A. Dorval, parts | 75.26 |
| W. D. Huse & Sons, hardware | 99.32 |
| Socony Vacuum Co., gas, oil, grease | 1,091.36 |
| Carrier & Mattie, parts | 19.22 |
| Fred's Filling Station, supplies | 655.99 |
| Transport Clearing Asso., express | 1.20 |
| Casellini-Venable Corp., tractor parts | 481.93 |
| Eddie's Garage, heater | 16.00 |
| Lyle Heath, sawing lumber | 20.00 |
| A. L. Forger, parts | 7.00 |
| Laconia Auto Wrecking Co., windshield | 11.50 |
| Moor Motors, parts | 7.48 |
| Sol Rosen, supplies | 9.95 |
| N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone | 65.72 |
| Murray Machine Co., parts for grader | 37.92 |
| Granite State Motors, parts | 56.47 |
| Spear Welding, welding | 6.65 |
| W. D. Huse & Co., hardware | 22.39 |
| C. E. Marden, blacksmith work | 6.45 |
| Osborne Service Sta., sharpening grousers | 108.00 |
| Ray Road Equipment, supplies | 85.85 |
| E. C. Nelson, Inc., supplies | 77.14 |
| Philip Bryant, parts | 37 16 |
| R. C. Hazelton, supplies | 135.55 |
| Harold Jones, truck wheels | 24.32 |
| Conant Machine Co., parts | 106.92 |
| Benlia Gorrell Lumber Co., lumber | 10.80 |
| Central N. H. Ins. Co., liabilities | 636.11 |
| Diamond Match Co., supplies | 42.18 |
| Willey's Express, express | 1.70 |
| Heuber Lumber Co., lumber | 253.62 |

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|---|---|
| N. H. Explosive Co., parts | 29.19 |
| Sanel Auto Parts Co., parts | .84 |
| Central Garage & Supply Co., repairs | 11.45 |
| A. E. Faltin, express | 1.20 |
| Laconia Savings Bank, gravel for roads | 37.50 |
| The Chemical Corp., salt | 55.80 |
| Laconia Awning & Glass Co., door glass | 10.85 |
| C. J. Bernier | 10.00 |
| | $4,676.25 |

## TOWN MAINTENANCE

### Winter and Summer

| | |
|---|---|
| Philip Bryant, agent | $2,587.60 |
| Harold Reed | 2,280.30 |
| Robert Chamberlin | 896.60 |
| Robert Allard | 1,230.50 |
| Bernard Dube | 147.40 |
| Steve Rhodes | 496.80 |
| Otto Sawyer | 1,102.20 |
| Howard Reed | 10.00 |
| Homer Bryant | 14.40 |
| Internal Revenue | 377.50 |
| Luther Brown | 171.25 |
| Roy Chamberlin | 37.60 |
| Wilson Mansfield | 32.80 |
| Treasurer State of N. H. | 63.00 |
| Richard Bertholet | 6.40 |
| Alfred Rhodes | 3.20 |
| Wilson Mansfield, Jr. | 3.20 |
| | $9,460.75 |

## STREET LIGHTING

| | |
|---|---|
| Public Service Co. | $199.76 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co. | 1,380.28 |
| | $1,580.04 |

## UNION ROAD

| | |
|---|---|
| Philip Bryant, labor | $108.00 |
| Harold Reed, labor | 117.00 |

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|---|---|
| Robert Allard, labor | 97.60 |
| Otto Sawyer, labor | 106.40 |
| Steve Rhodes, labor | 76.80 |
| Richard Bertholet, labor | 77.60 |
| Town Treas. Loudon, grader | 55.00 |
| Laconia Savings Bank, gravel | 47.70 |
| Treasurer of N. H., tar | 2,724.93 |
| | $3,411.03 |

## NEW EQUIPMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| R. C. Hazelton Co. Inc., Walter's Snow Fighter | $14,984.20 |

## TEMPORARY LOANS

| | |
|---|---|
| Iona Savings Bank | $3,000.00 |
| F. W. Horne & Co. | 15,000.00 |
| Peoples National Bank | 10,000.00 |
| Peoples National Bank | 5,000.00 |
| | $33,000.00 |

## BONDS AND NOTES

| | |
|---|---|
| Peoples National Bank | $1,000.00 |
| Laconia Savings Bank | 1,500.00 |
| | $2,500.00 |

## COUNTY TAX

| | |
|---|---|
| Belknap County Treasurer | $4,167.98 |

## SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Wilson Mansfield, Treas. | $38,700.00 |

## 1945 EXPENSE CHEVROLET TRUCK

| | |
|---|---|
| February | |
| Cantins, Chevrolet parts | $17.26 |
| C. A. Dorval, parts | 37.63 |
| Eddie's Garage, heater | 16.00 |
| Forger, volt. regulator | 2.00 |
| Cantins, parts | 52.94 |
| March | |
| Fitch Motor Co., parts | 31.67 |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 142.76 |

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|---|---|
| April | |
| Cantins, repairs | 49.70 |
| Harold Jones, wheels | 12.16 |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 5.38 |
| June | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 2.07 |
| Cantins, parts | 10.71 |
| C. A. Dorval, parts | 11.48 |
| August | |
| Cantins, parts | 18.27 |
| C. A. Dorval, parts | 15.93 |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | .54 |
| Harold Jones, wheels | 12.16 |
| September | |
| F. A. Laflam, tire | 80.89 |
| Cantins, parts | 25.78 |
| L. A. Laflam | 2.00 |
| | $547.33 |

## EXPENSE INTERNATIONAL TRUCK

| | |
|---|---|
| February | |
| Carrier & Mattie, parts | $5.36 |
| Laconia Auto Wrecking, windshield | 11.50 |
| Moore Motors, parts | 7.48 |
| S. Rosen, parts | 7.95 |
| Granite State Mot., parts | 28.89 |
| March | |
| F. Laflam, tires and supplies | 347.58 |
| April | |
| Ray Road Equipment, plow edges | 22.60 |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 3.70 |
| June | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 6.54 |
| W. D. Huse & Sons, bolts | 7.11 |
| Granite State Motors, parts | 14.08 |
| July | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | .48 |
| August | |
| Sanel Auto Parts | .84 |
| Granite State Motors, axle | 13.50 |

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|---|---|
| September | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 2.00 |
| E. C. Nelson, steering wheel | 6.43 |
| October | |
| F. A. Laflam, battery charging | 1.00 |
| Laconia Awning Co., door glass | 10.85 |
| W. D. Huse & Sons, studs for wheel | 2.88 |
| November | |
| New Hampshire Explosives, repairs | 3.25 |
| A. L. Forger, starter repairs | 5.00 |
| December | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 2.15 |
| | $511.17 |

## EXPENSE 1935 DIESEL TRACTOR

| | |
|---|---|
| February | |
| Casellini-Venable, parts | $16.50 |
| Ray Road Equipment, steel cable | 11.25 |
| March | |
| Casellini-Venable, parts | 465.43 |
| April | |
| Ray Road Equipment, steel cable | 11.25 |
| | $504.43 |

## EXPENSE 1945 HUBER GRADER

| | |
|---|---|
| February | |
| Murray Machine, parts | $14.53 |
| April | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | .18 |
| June | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 1.60 |
| Murray Machine, cross shaft | 12.93 |
| July | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 4.78 |
| Murray Machine, parts | 8.39 |
| Laconia Electric Co., fan belts | 1.46 |
| August | |
| Murray Machine, parts | 2.07 |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 1.86 |

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|---|---|
| September | |
| Laconia Electric Co., fan belts | 7.16 |
| Central Garage | 6.95 |
| October | |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | .50 |
| F. A. Laflam, parts | 4.50 |
| | $66.91 |

## TOWN HALL

| | |
|---|---|
| Belmont Hosiery Co., heat and lights | $135.16 |
| Register of Deeds, recording deed | 1.25 |
| Guy Hamel, fire and liability insurance 3 yrs. | 484.09 |
| R. P. Morin Co. Inc., heating estimate | 50.00 |
| Dave Ricard, Jr., repairs and janitor service | 37.00 |
| Fred's Filling Station, supplies | 6.39 |
| L. Heath, sawing lumber for repairs | 22.06 |
| Clarence Shaw, wiring | 3.60 |
| Agricultural Service, Inc., step ladder | 28.60 |
| | $768.15 |

## TOWN HALL PURCHASE

| | |
|---|---|
| Belmont Hosiery Co. | $6,000.00 |

## ROAD AGENTS REPORT

During the winter of 1948 we had one of the heaviest falls of snow on record which made it very difficult to keep our roads open. However by keeping all of our equipment in operation it was possible to keep all roads open for travel except for brief intervals. If our old equipment had broken down the situation would have been much different. With our present Walters Truck we should be well prepared for winter maintenance for several years.

During the year all of our roads were machined with the large grader and with the continued use of the Heuber Grader for maintenance were kept in very good condition.

During late summer and fall our regular crew cut bushes on eight miles of roadside and most of this brush was burned.

This brush removal job is a continual one because of the rapid growth of brush on our roadsides.

Your Road Agent is studying the possibility of using one of the new chemical sprays for brush control. This method looks very promising and in a year or two should be cheap enough to adopt as a practical method of keeping our roadsides clean.

### Union Road

We completed eight-tenths (8/10) of a mile of new construction on Union Road in 1948. Two miles of this construction completed in 1946 and 1947 was also retarred.

### Recommendations

The Gilmanton road will need to be completed before any Town Road Aid money is made available from the State.

Your road agent feels that another twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500.00) should be appropriated in 1949 for further construction on Union road. In addition it is recommended that ($500.00) five hundred dollars should be appropriated to re-tar that section of road completed last year (1948).

At least 10 miles of town roads should be regraveled each year to maintain our present road system in good condition. Some roads have had no new gravel applied for at least ten years and it will not pay to let them deteriorate to any further extent. It is also recommended that some attention be given to improving roads leading to our lake shore residences.

At least twice as much brush removal work as was done this year should be completed each year.

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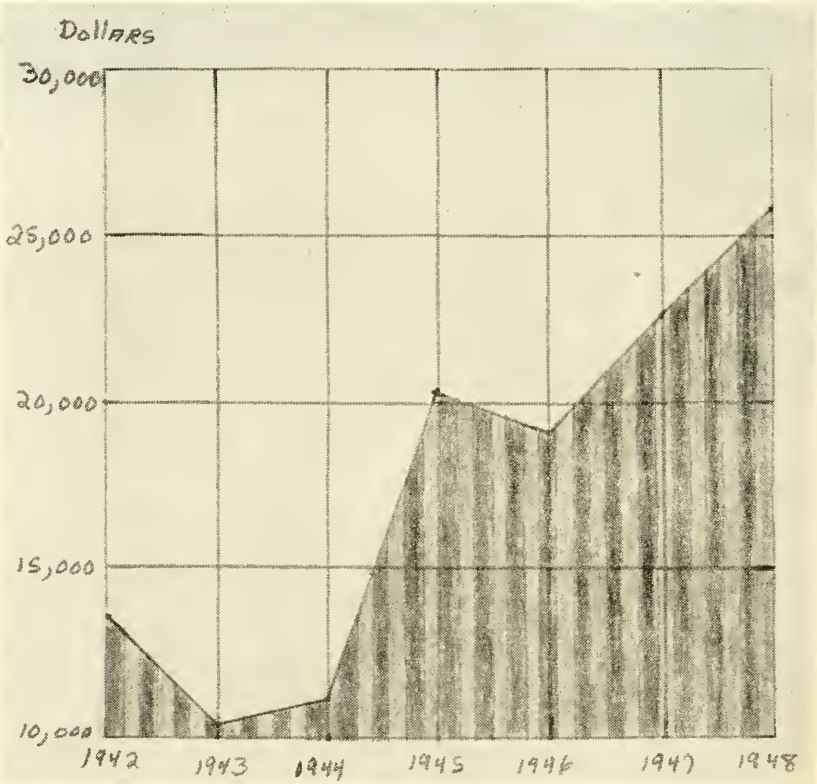
### Equipment

The International truck is eight years old and has seen very hard service, it has operated more than 100,000 miles and you will note by the report that our repairs in 1948 were not excessive. This leads us to feel that repairs will run much higher soon. It is therefore recommended that this truck be traded toward a new two ton job in 1949.

The Chevrolet could probably be operated another year without as many repairs as in 1948. This truck however has seen some very heavy service, as it has been used to plow snow each winter that we have owned it.

The old Diesel tractor should be put to use if we continue to own it. A loader or blade could be attached and would serve a real purpose in road construction and maintenance work. It is possible that our own crew can rig up a loader in our own shop.




HIGHWAY COSTS
(Includes $4500 New Equipment — 1948)

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS

## JANUARY 1, 1949

### Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Dec. 31, 1947, Bal. on hand | $1.00 | |
| July 8, 1948, Rec'd from Laconia Savings Bank (from Fifield Funds) | 465.00 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Rec'd from Laconia Sav. Bank | 306.20 | |
| Sept. 9, 1948, Rec'd from Laconia Sav. Bank | 54.00 | |
| Sept. 17, 1948, Rec'd from Laconia Sav. Bank | 6.50 | |
| Total Debits | | $832.70 |

### Cr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| July 8, 1948, Pd. to South Rd. Cemetery Asso. (For General Care) | $465.00 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Pd. to South Rd. Cemetery Asso. | 51.00 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Pd. to Edwin Couch for care of lots & general care on So. Road Cem. | 119.52 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Pd. to Otto Sawyer for care of Bean Hill Cemetery | 4.18 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Pd. Walter Sanborn for care of lots in rural areas | 11.00 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Pd. Nathan Wyatt for care of lots in rural areas | 22.50 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Pd. Walter Sanborn care of Electa Currier lot | 3.00 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948, Pd. Walter Sanborn care of lots in Highland Cemetery | 96.00 | |
| Sept. 16, 1948, Pd. Edwin Couch care of Clark lot | 4.00 | |
| Sept. 16, 1948, Pd. So. Road Cemetery Asso. for general care | 50.00 | |
| Sept. 16, 1948, Pd. Prescott's Flower Shop for flowers for Knowles and Fifield lots | 6.50 | |
| Total Credits | | $832.70 |

## TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS REPORT ON OLD CEMETERIES ACCOUNT

### Dr.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. 1, 1948. | Cash on hand and brought forward | $48.86 | |
| Dec. 14, 1948. | Rec'd from Town of Belmont | 50.00 | |
| | Total Debits | | $98.86 |

### Cr.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aug. 16, 1948. | Pd. Nathan Wyatt for work in old cemeteries | $32.50 | |
| Aug. 16, 1948. | Pd. Walter Sanborn for labor in old cemeteries | 18.25 | |
| Dec. 31, 1948. | Cash on hand | 48.11 | |
| | Total Credits | | $98.86 |

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS

(These Funds are invested in the Laconia Savings Bank and paid 2½% interest in 1948)

| Created | Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1902 | Sylvia A. Walcott Fund, care of lot on Kinsley Hall Farm | $100.00 | $30.73 | $3.28 | $4.50 | $29.51 |
| 1907 | Stevens-Fifield Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 2,000.00 | 296.91 | 57.76 | 165.00 | 189.67 |
| 1909 | W. H. Sanborn Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 75.00 | 27.99 | 2.58 | 3.00 | 27.57 |
| 1909 | John S. Folsom Fund, care of lot in Province Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 79.12 | 4.50 | 3.00 | 80.62 |
| 1910 | Stephen Folsom Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 6.59 | 2.67 | 5.50 | 4.26 |
| 1916 | James N. Hall Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 65.61 | 4.15 | 3.00 | 66.76 |
| 1916 | Charles E. Cate Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 300.00 | 113.51 | 10.39 | 11.00 | 112.90 |
| 1917 | John M. Folsom Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 19.35 | 2.99 | 5.00 | 17.34 |
| 1920-5 | George Fifield Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 1,287.00 | 349.79 | 41.16 | 350.00 | 40.95 |

Report of Trust Funds, continued

| Created | Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1920 | Silias Leavitt Fund, care of Joseph Leavitt Cemetery | 100.00 | 82.38 | 4.58 | 3.00 | 83.96 |
| 1921 | Mrs. Louisse Ingalls Fund, care of Hannah P. Brown lot in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 28.00 | 3.21 | 5.00 | 26.21 |
| 1921 | Sarah E. Piper Fund, care of Piper & Sweatt lots in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 4.44 | 2.61 | 4.00 | 3.05 |
| 1921 | D. W. Gale Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 8.13 | 2.71 | 5.00 | 5.84 |
| 1921 | Blanche Weymouth Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 10.10 | 2.77 | 5.00 | 7.87 |
| 1921 | Lydia A. Willard Fund, care of lot in Cemetery | 50.00 | 3.72 | 1.34 | 1.50 | 3.56 |
| 1921 | Lillian Knowles Fund, care of lot (C. W. Knowles) in South Rd. Cemetery | 100.00 | 12.66 | 2.83 | 3.00 | 12.49 |
| 1922 | Electa Currier Fund, care of lot in Mt. Auburn Cemetery | 100.00 | 60.01 | 4.03 | 3.00 | 61.04 |
| 1922 | Etta Gilman Fund, care of half lot in South Road Cemetery | 50.00 | .10 | 1.26 | | 1.36 |

Report of Trust Funds, continued

| Created | Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1922 | Happa Latty Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 33.59 | 3.35 | 3.00 | 33.94 |
| 1923 | Mrs. Joseph Hall Fund, care of lot in Jamestown Cemetery | 50.00 | 15.47 | 1.64 | | 17.11 |
| 1924 | John A. Ladd Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 60.00 | 3.91 | 1.59 | 2.00 | 3.50 |
| 1924 | Thomas Clark Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 60.00 | 3.48 | 1.59 | 2.00 | 3.07 |
| 1924 | William Kilborn Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 121.32 | 30.26 | 3.80 | 5.00 | 29.06 |
| 1924 | Maron & Clark Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 60.00 | 5.58 | 1.64 | 2.00 | 5.22 |
| 1924 | Fred Brown Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 50.00 | 53.22 | 2.59 | 6.00 | 49.81 |
| 1924 | William H. Morrill Fund, care of lot in Jamestown Cemetery | 100.00 | 14.12 | 2.87 | | 16.99 |
| 1924 | Fred A. Currier Fund, care of lot in Jamestown Cemetery | 200.00 | 31.18 | 5.82 | 10.50 | 26.50 |

Report of Trust Funds, continued

| Created | Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1925 | Cora E. Thompson Fund, care of lot No. 54 in South Road Cemetery | 75.00 | 11.27 | 2.17 | 3.00 | 10.44 |
| 1926 | Clara N. Lovejoy Fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 16.07 | 2.91 | 5.00 | 13.98 |
| 1926 | Mattie C. Adams Fund, care of lot in Jamestown Cemetery | 20.00 | 4.68 | .60 | | 5.28 |
| 1927 | Dana D. Maxfield Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 6.17 | 2.67 | 5.00 | 3.84 |
| 1927 | C. S. Watson Fund, care of Batchelder lot in Highland Cemetery | 50.00 | 3.50 | 1.34 | 1.50 | 3.34 |
| 1928 | W. C. Wells Fund, care of J. C. Wells lot No. 12 in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 7.97 | 2.70 | 2.00 | 8.67 |
| 1928 | Etta Gilman Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery<br>Etta Gilman Fund, care of C. S. Gilman lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 15.79 | 2.90 | 6.00 | 12.69 |
| 1930 | A. L. West Fund, care of lot No. 62 in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 13.96 | 2.85 | 3.00 | 13.81 |
| 1930 | Laurantine Sanborn Fund, care of lot No. 88 in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 21.57 | 3.05 | 3.00 | 21.62 |

Report of Trust Funds, continued

| Created Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1930 | John Bean Est., Mrs. Ella Bean, care of lot No. 33 in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 25.72 | 3.15 | 3.00 | 25.87 |
| 1930 | Fred Bickford Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 50.00 | | 1.26 | 1.26 | |
| 1933 | Samuel W. Knowles Fund, care of lots No. 84 and 26 in South Road Cemetery | 300.00 | 5.42 | 7.67 | 6.50 | 6.59 |
| 1933 | Jeremiah S. Kimball Fund, care of lot No. 50 in South Road Cemetery | 50.00 | | 1.26 | 1.26 | |
| 1934 | Abbie Fifield Fund, care of lots in South Road Cemetery | 1,000.00 | 221.20 | 30.71 | 97.00 | 154.91 |
| 1934 | Ada B. Hudson Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 50.00 | 22.43 | 1.81 | | 24.24 |
| 1934 | V. Estelle Sanborn Fund, care of lot 26 in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 15.57 | 2.90 | 3.00 | 15.47 |
| 1934 | Harriet S. Leonard Fund, care of Dr. Hurd lot in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 9.97 | 2.75 | 3.00 | 9.72 |
| 1934 | Mrs. Charles Richards Fund, care of lot No. 179 in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 8.07 | 2.71 | 4.00 | 6.78 |

Report of Trust Funds, continued

| Created | Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1935 | Mary Page Fund, care of Frank Chase lot in South Road Cemetery | 50.00 | 15.96 | 1.64 | 1.00 | 16.60 |
| 1935 | Asa Gile Fund, care of Gile lot in Jamestown Cemetery | 100.00 | 19.57 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 19.57 |
| 1935 | Otis Sanborn Fund, care of lot No. 35 in Highland Cemetery | 100.00 | 8.65 | 2.73 | 2.00 | 9.38 |
| 1938 | George P. Dearborn Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 9.91 | 2.75 | 3.00 | 9.66 |
| 1938 | Lettie M. Hall Fund, care of lot No. 181 in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 4.67 | 2.61 | 2.00 | 5.28 |
| 1939 | M. Jennie Small Fund, care of Small & Garmon lots in So. Road Cemetery | 103.17 | 2.28 | 2.64 | 2.00 | 2.92 |
| 1939 | Mabel A. D. Clark Fund, care of lot No. 131 (Sweatt) in So. Rd. Cemetery | 200.00 | 29.55 | 5.76 | 3.00 | 32.31 |
| 1939 | Sadie Pelham Fund, care of Lillian Hull lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 7.63 | 2.69 | 3.00 | 7.32 |
| 1940 | Nahum E. Sanborn Fund, care of his lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 4.84 | 2.63 | 3.00 | 4.47 |

Report of Trust Funds, continued

| Created | Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1940 | Edna French Fund, care of Moses Lyford lot in South Road Cemetery | 100.00 | 6.76 | 2.68 | 3.00 | 6.44 |
| 1940 | William B. Courser Fund, care of Courser lot in South Rd. Cemeetery | 200.00 | 15.95 | 5.42 | 4.00 | 17.37 |
| 1942 | Vinson E. Hadley Fund, care of Hadley Cemetery, Province Road | 200.00 | 20.37 | 5.54 | 2.25 | 23.66 |
| 1942 | Ethelbert Sayward Fund, care of Woodman Cemetery | 100.00 | 4.55 | 2.61 | 4.25 | 2.91 |
| 1942 | Benjamin Mudgett Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 50.00 | 2.20 | 1.30 | 2.00 | 1.50 |
| 1938 | Fred L. & Geo. Hancock Fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery | 200.00 | 26.68 | 5.69 | 4.00 | 28.37 |
| 1944 | Sara Lamprey Fund, care of Lamprey Cemtery at Province Road | 250.00 | 11.41 | 6.56 | 3.00 | 14.97 |
| 1944 | Mabel A. D. Clark Fund, care of Edwin G. Moore lot No. 134 in So. Rd. Cem. | 200.00 | 5.66 | 5.16 | 4.00 | 6.82 |
| 1946 | Kate K. Wells Fund, care of lot and care of Highland Cemetery | 1,000.00 | 14.61 | 25.52 | 18.00 | 22.13 |

Report of Trust Funds, continued

| Created Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | | Amount of Principal | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-47 | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance Income on Hand 12-31-48 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1946 | Etta B. Dearborn Fund, care of lot in Union Cemetery at Laconia, N. H. | 100.00 | .30 | 2.51 | | 2.81 |
| 1947 | Alvin Clark Fund, care of lot (Samuel Clark) Bean Hill Cemetery | 200.00 | | 4.18 | 4.18 | |
| 1947 | Alvin Clark Fund, care of lot (Alvin Clark lot) in So. Road Cemetery | 200.00 | | 4.18 | 4.00 | .18 |
| 1948 | John M. Sargent Fund | 10,000.00 | | 20.83 | | 20.83 |
| 1948 | Helen Thurley Fund, care of John A. Ladd lot in Highland Cemetery | 50.00 | | | | |

Total interest held, $1,552.91; Total Funds, $22,161.49.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Receipts

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1947 | $383.19 |
| Town Appropriation | 900.00 |
| Duffy Fund | 445.19 |
| Rent of Memorial Hall | 73.50 |
| | $1,801.88 |

**Expenditures**

| | |
|---|---|
| Librarian | $360.00 |
| Assistant Librarian | 6.50 |
| Janitor | 120.00 |
| Books | 233.33 |
| Magazines | 77.10 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co. — Heat | 56.25 |
| Belmont Hosiery Co. — Lights | 39.12 |
| Water Rent | 18.00 |
| Repairs on Memorial Hall | 414.51 |
| Repairs and Painting Flag Pole | 23.60 |
| Repairs on Entrance, Steps and Chimney | 79.10 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 10.00 |
| Examination of Account & Charges at Bank | 16.23 |
| Minor Expenses | 6.15 |
| | $1,459.89 |
| Balance on Hand, December 31, 1948 | 341.99 |
| | $1,801.88 |

LYLE R. HEATH,
HARRY A. HOWLAND,
MILDRED H. TASKER,
Trustees of the Library.

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN, YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948

**Circulation**

| | |
|---|---|
| Adults | 4201 |
| Juvenile | 1494 |
| Magazines | 520 |
| | 6215 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Received from dues | | $41.54 |
| Paid out for Books and Magazines | $19.72 | |
| Assistant | 5.60 | |
| Sundries | 10.48 | |
| | | 35.80 |
| Balance on hand | | $5.74 |

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

Belmont, N. H., February 21, 1949.

I have examined the accounts of the tax collector, town clerk, treasurer, trustees and selectmen and find them sustained by proper vouchers and all the accounts correctly cast.

BOLIK KIZALA,
Auditor.

# WATER SYSTEM

The 1948 budget also carried an appropriation of $10,000.00 for maintenance of the water works and construction of a section of new pipe main.

It was estimated that $4,000.00 would be needed for general maintenance and repairs and $6,000.00 for construction of the new main replacing a section of the old wooden main running from the reservoir under the Gilmanton road to Monument Square. It was thought necessary to replace this section because of its very weak condition and because of the construction of the new state aid road and the new cutoff.

About 2,000 feet of this main, a section from the Square to the church and a section of a branch on Spring Street at a cost of $9,447.77. This cost included the work of excavation, laying the pipe, the materials including considerable pipe ordered and delivered in 1947 but not paid for, new hydrants, shutoffs, etc.

The construction was let out to contract to the lowest responsible bidder. The F. & M. Company, 157 Oak Hill, Manchester, N. H. This company did the work of laying the pipe, including excavating and filling at a cost of $1.60 per lineal foot.

All of the materials used were purchased by the town and are included in the costs.

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|---|---|
| Total cost for new construction was | $9,447.77 |
| General maintenance and repairs came to | 4,028.91 |
| From this figure it could be estimated that costs of leaks and repairs to the mains came to | 670.94 |
| Leaving the cost of running the system at | $3,357.97 |
| Income from the water system for 1948 came to | $4,040.44 |

# WATER ACCOUNT STATISTICS

## FOR PERIOD OF DEC. 31, 1947 TO DEC. 31, 1948

| | Charges | Collections | Abatement | Bal. due |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Period of June 1, 1941 to June 1, 1942 | $9.70 | $9.70 | | |
| Period of June 1, 1942 to June 1, 1943 | | | | |
| Period of June 1, 1943 to June 1, 1944 | 7.00 | 7.00 | | |
| Period of June 1, 1944 to June 1, 1945 | 34.00 | 20.00 | | 13.00 |
| Period of June 1, 1945 to June 1, 1946 | 86.13 | 79.13 | | 7.00 |
| Period of June 1, 1946 to June 1, 1947 | 104.39 | 57.00 | | 47.39 |
| Period of June 1, 1947 to June 1, 1948 | 1,349.66 | 1,210.46 | | 139.20 |
| Period of June 1, 1948 to June 1, 1949 | 4,104.20 | 2,657.15 | | 1,447.05 |
| | | | Total | $1,653.64 |

1944 to 1945 Excess Debits $13.00, no charge left on levy book.

1947 to 1948 Excess Credits $8.80 on levy book.

## REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Your local organization to prevent and extinguish brush and woods fires is glad to report a good year of forest protection in 1948. In spite of danger conditions nearly equalling at times those of 1947 when great losses were suffered in New Hampshire and New England, fire damage and loss this year have been gratifyingly low.

With the continuing cooperation of all the people, we can hope to have another successful year in 1949. Let us remember that in any year, over 90% of all fires are caused by carelessness and that all of these man-caused fires are preventable.

Today, we have more slash and uncut grassland than for many years in the past. Smokers, campers and tourists who use our outdoors are also more numerous than ever before. We must therefore be ready for fires which might occur but, above all, prevention by everyone is the greatest need.

A few simple precautions taken by every citizen will help, as follows:

(1) Always get a written permit from the warden before kindling a fire outdoors when the ground is not covered with snow.

(2) If you smoke, always extinguish matches and tobacco before dropping or throwing them down. In automobiles, always use the ash trays.

(3) Report fires and smokes to the warden without delay.

The observance of these and other simple rules will go far to insure safety from fire damage and your cooperation in this way is earnestly solicited.

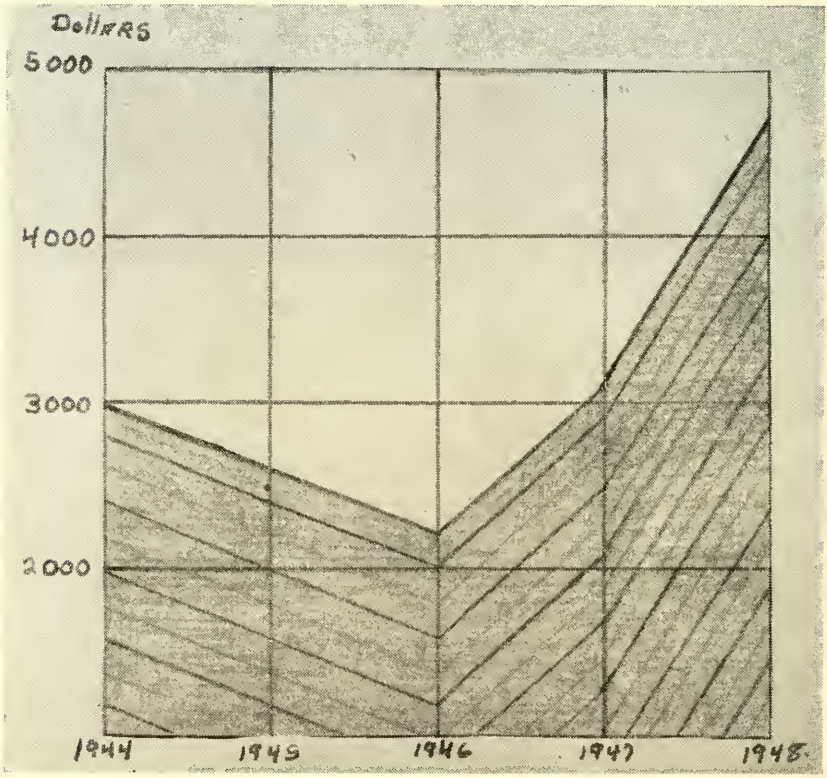
**1948 Fire Record**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Fires | 6 |
| Acreage Burned | 7 |
| Number of Fire Permits Issued | 14 |

Respectfully submitted,

EARL M. ELLSWORTH,
Forest Fire Warden.

THOMAS J. KING,
District Fire Chief




PROTECTION
(Police — Fire)

# OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## MODERATOR

STANLEY F. HILL

## CLERK

PHYLLIS A. FOGG

## TREASURER

WILSON S. MANSFIELD

## AUDITOR

RUSSELL W. CUSHING

## SCHOOL BOARD

| | |
|---|---|
| Richard W. Weston | Term expires 1949 |
| Helena L. Bryant | Term expires 1950 |
| Clarence N. Moody | Term expires 1951 |

## SCHOOL NURSE

LURLINE H. McCOOK

360 Main Street
Tilton, N. H.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Telephone: | Office | Tilton 531 |
| | Residence | Tilton 279 |

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

DONALD P. MATTOON, Tilton, N. H.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Telephone: | Office | Tilton 531 |
| | Residence | Tilton 6425 |

Regular Meeting: School Board, first Tuesday of each month, 8:00 P. M.

# SCHOOL WARRANT

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Belknap ss:**

**To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Belmont, qualified to vote in District affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet in Community Hall, in said District, on Saturday, March 5, 1949, at 2:00 p. m. to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a member of the School Board to serve for three years, to fill the vacancy arising from the expiration of the term of office of Richard W. Weston.
5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
7. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and other district officers.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see what action the district will take to provide increased school plant facilities for pupils and raise and appropriate funds for the same.

10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate one-half of one per cent of the assessed valuation, and establish a capital reserve fund for the purchase of school buses, or take any other action relating thereto.

11. To see if the district will authorize the school board to use school funds to purchase, maintain, and operate school conveyances where necessary, to transport pupils to the schools to which they are assigned.

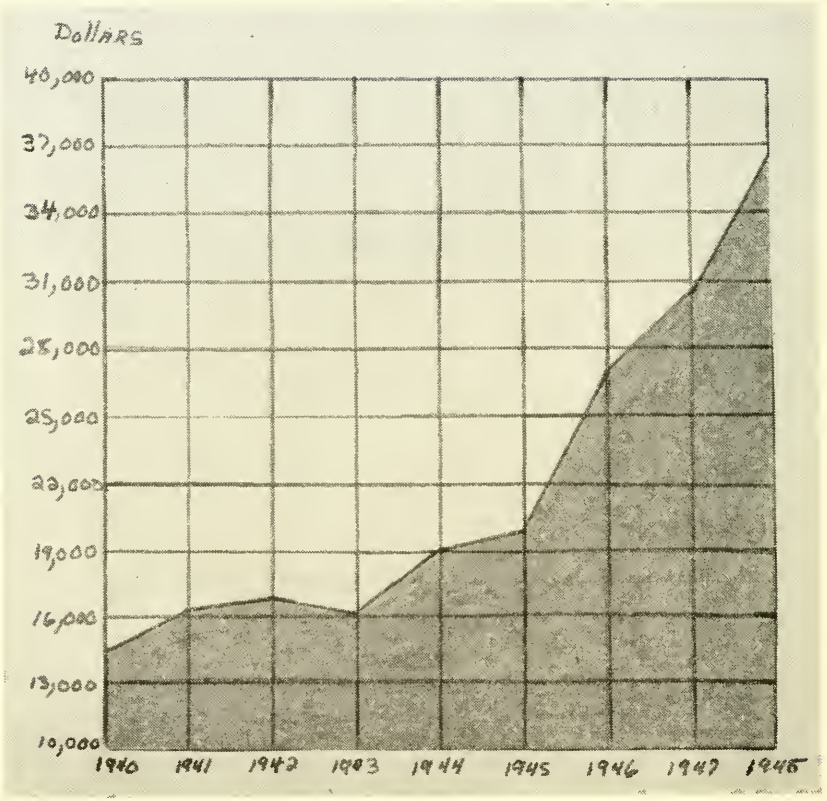
12. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of February, 1949.

RICHARD W. WESTON,
HELENA L. BRYANT,
CLARENCE N. MOODY,
School Board.

A true copy, Attest:

RICHARD W. WESTON,
HELENA L. BRYANT,
CLARENCE N. MOODY,
School Board.




SCHOOL COSTS

## BUDGET FOR 1949-1950

### Belmont School District

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949.

### Detailed Statement of Proposed Expenditures

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Administration | | |
| 1. | Salaries of District Officers | $214.00 |
| 2. | Superintendent's Salary, Travel Exp. | 764.72 |
| 3. | Per Capita Tax | 572.00 |
| 4. | Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel | 430.00 |
| 5. | Supplies and Expenses | 345.99 |
| Support of Schools | | |
| 6. | Principals' and Teachers' Salaries | 26,000.00 |
| 7. | Books and Other Instructional Aids | 725.00 |
| 8. | Scholars Supplies | 1,400.00 |
| 9. | Salaries of Clerical Assistants | 0.00 |
| 10. | Supplies and Other Expenses | 325.00 |
| Operation of School Plant | | |
| 11. | Salaries of Janitors, Cleaning | 1,760.00 |
| 12. | Fuel | 1,750.00 |
| 13. | Water, Light, Supplies, and Expenses | 850.00 |
| Maintenance of Plant | | |
| 14. | Repairs and Replacements | 1,200.00 |
| Auxiliary Activities | | |
| 15. | Health Supervision | 950.00 |
| 16. | Transportation | 8,550.00 |
| 17. | Tuition | 0.00 |
| 18. | Special Activities and Special Funds | 600.00 |
| Fixed Charges | | |
| 19. | Retirement | 772.00 |
| 20. | Insurance, Treasurer's Bond, Expenses | 240.00 |
| Capital Outlay | | |
| 21. | Land and New Buildings | 75.00 |
| 22. | Additions & Improvements to Buildings | 0.00 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 23. New Equipment | 602.00 | |
| 24. Payments into Capital Reserve Fund School Bus Fund | 0.00 | |
| Debt and Interest | | |
| 25. Principal of Debt | 675.00 | |
| 26. Interest on Debt | 162.00 | |
| | | $48,962 71 |

**Estimated Income of District**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Federal Aid | | |
| 2. Smith-Hughes and George-Barden | $150.00 | |
| 3. National School Lunch | 0.00 | |
| State Aid | | |
| 5. Equalization and General | 13,246.90 | |
| Other Sources | | |
| 12. Secondary School Tuitions | 200.00 | |
| Deduct total estimated income (Not raised by taxation) | | 13,596.90 |
| Assessment required to balance School Board's Budget | | $35,365.81 |

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD W. WESTON,
HELENA L. BRYANT,
CLARENCE N. MOODY,
School Board.

January 4, 1949

State Aid—State Bd. Budget $15,896.28. (Last year, $13,246.90)
Governor's Budget $11,922.21 (est.)

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1948**

## RECEIPTS

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand July 1, 1947 | | | $608.03 | |
| Appropriation | | | 32,500.00 | |
| Federal Aid, Home Economics | | | 392.87 | |
| Sale of Supplies | | | 30.00 | |
| State Aid | | | 13,246.90 | |
| Tuition: | | | | |
| Canterbury School Dist. | 1946-47 | $180.00 | | |
| | 1947-48 | 90.00 | | |
| | | | 270.00 | |
| Gilmanton School Dist. | 1947-48 | | 11.80 | |
| Loudon School District | 1947-48 | | 90.00 | |
| Use of Telephone | | | 8.47 | |
| Total Receipts | | | | $47,158.07 |

## PAYMENTS

### Administration

**Salaries of District Officers:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Helena L. Bryant | $50.00 | |
| Frank Huntoon | 2.00 | |
| Wilson S. Mansfield | 50.00 | |
| John J. McDonough | 50.00 | |
| Norma A. Prescott | 2.00 | |
| Richard W. Weston | 50.00 | |
| Total | | $204.00 |

**Superintendent's Salary:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Winnifred F. Walker, Treas. Supervisory Union | $676.00 |

**Truant Officer and School Census:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| R. E. Lane | $ 3.20 | |
| Dorothy Swain | 25.00 | |
| Total | | $28.20 |

**Expenses of Administration:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Ruth D. Ackerman | $ 5.00 | |
| John J. Bane | 25.00 | |
| Harleigh Brown | 33.56 | |
| Jane Boutin | 22.82 | |
| Edson C. Eastman Co. | 25.87 | |
| Paul E. Farnum, Treas.-Secretary | 5.00 | |
| Wilson S. Mansfield | 16.01 | |
| Donald P. Mattoon | 44.10 | |
| W. R. Morrison | 40.75 | |
| N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 115.43 | |
| Winnifred F. Walker, Treas. Supervisory Union | 430.00 | |
| Pauline Waterfield | 12.45 | |
| Total | | $775.99 |

## INSTRUCTION

**Teachers Salaries:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ruth D. Ackerman (W.T. $22.40, Ret. $96, NEA&NHSTA $7) | $2,274.60 |
| John J. Bane (W.T. $285.60, Ret. $100, NHSTA $4) | 2,560.40 |
| Priscilla M. Clement | 12.50 |
| Editha K. Cowing (1946-47 sal. $320.77, W.T. $125.80, Ret. $92, B.C. $24.15) | 2,471.82 |
| Doris R. Glaude (1946-47 sal. $59.10, W.T. $287.60, Ret. $88, B.C. $14.10) | 1,877.40 |
| Henry J. McLaughlin (W.T. $256.40, Ret. $80, NHSTA & NEA $7) | 1,656.60 |
| Wilhemina B. Reed (1946-47 sal. $257.41, W.T. $253.60, Ret. $86, B.C. $14.10, NESTA & NEA $7) | 2,048.21 |
| Helen H. Rego (1946-47 sal. $66.10, W.T. $303.20, NHSTA & NEA $7) | 2,055.90 |
| Fred A. Rogler (1946-47 sal. $90.60, W.T. $246.00, NHSTA $4) | 2,240.60 |
| Velma L. Simpson (1946-47 sal. $74.40, W.T. $303.20, NHSTA & NEA $7) | 2,064.20 |
| Cecile L. Smith (1946-47 sal. $71.90, W.T. $98.60) | 1,228.40 |
| Frances H. Smith (W.T. $54.30) | 687.70 |
| John H. Starie (W.T. $41.60) | 383.40 |

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|---|---|---|
| Dorothy Swain, substitute (W.T. $2.40) | 27.60 | |
| Jane R. Vogel (W.T. $77.52, Ret. $19.00) | 378.48 | |
| Collector of Int. Revenue | 2,022.04 | |
| N.H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service | 72.30 | |
| National Education Association | 18.00 | |
| New Hampshire State Teachers' Assn. | 32.00 | |
| State Teachers' Retirement | 392.70 | |
| Total | | $24,504.85 |

**Textbooks:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| C. C. Birchard Co. | $10.00 | |
| Ginn & Company | 21.70 | |
| Harper Brothers | 3.13 | |
| Houghton Mifflin Co. | 56.76 | |
| Laidlaw Bros. | 41.84 | |
| J. P. Lippincott Co. | 8.25 | |
| The Macmillan Company | 106.77 | |
| McCormick Mathers Co. | 5.71 | |
| Charles E. Merrill Co., Inc. | .73 | |
| Rand McNally Co. | 1.66 | |
| Row, Peterson Co. | 15.82 | |
| Silver Burdett Co. | 87.76 | |
| Scott, Foresman Co. | 192.32 | |
| South-Western Publishing Co. | 89.12 | |
| Tilton-Northfield Union School District | 16.05 | |
| Total | | $627.62 |

**Scholars Supplies:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ruth D. Ackerman | $ 2.48 |
| American Education Press | 51.20 |
| Edward E. Babb & Co. | 423.16 |
| Beckley-Cardy Co. | 15.91 |
| Belmont Community Store | 10.09 |
| Brodhead-Garrett Co. | 4.38 |
| Bryant & Lawrence | 54.35 |
| Bureau of Publications | 2.75 |
| Central Scientific Co. | 103.38 |
| Consumer Research | 4.25 |
| Delta Manufacture Co. | 1.05 |
| Denoyer-Geppert | 83.21 |
| Hamilton Publishing Co. | 3.48 |
| Herbert Harbour | 15.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Kidder Lumber Co. | 16.37 | |
| Mayfair Agency | 52.55 | |
| W. R. Morrison | 1.05 | |
| E. A. Owen Co. | 8.25 | |
| Clifford Robichaud | 2.02 | |
| Sears Roebuck Co. | 9.59 | |
| Virginia Shaw | 1.35 | |
| Ralph H. Smith Co. | 24.00 | |
| C. P. Stevens Co. | 21.34 | |
| Tasker, A. R. | 69.41 | |
| University Extension Div. | 299.20 | |
| The U. S. News | 4.00 | |
| Tilton-Northfield Union School District | 215.09 | |
| H. P. Welch Co. | 1.05 | |
| F. S. Willey | 1.05 | |
| Total | | $1,501.01 |

**Other Expenses of Instruction:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Ruth D. Ackerman | $ 4.61 | |
| Sherman Adams | 10.00 | |
| J. L. Hammett Co. | 15.39 | |
| Harper Bros. | 14.43 | |
| Ketchikan Alaska Chronicle | 1.30 | |
| The National Education Press | 6.37 | |
| W. R. Morrison | 42.75 | |
| Richard P. Smart | 55.90 | |
| Plymouth Teachers College | 126.00 | |
| O. H. Toothaker | 6.65 | |
| Rev. John Watson | 15.00 | |
| Total | | $296.40 |

## OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

**Janitor Service:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Clifford Robichaud | $1,871.10 | |
| Collector of Internal Revenue | 70.00 | |
| Total | | $1,941.10 |

**Fuel:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Peter Dutile | $1,469.78 |

**Water, Light and Janitor Supplies:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Belmont Hosiery Company | $268.36 | |
| M. F. Bragdon Paint Co. | 9.20 | |
| Bryant & Lawrence | 3.39 | |
| C. B. Dolge Co. | 30.75 | |
| J. I. Holcomb Co. | 13.20 | |
| Allan Murray | 26.45 | |
| Public Service Co. of N. H. | 7.64 | |
| Town of Belmont | 208.75 | |
| Waxine Company | 14.25 | |
| West Disintectant Co. | 40.20 | |
| Total | | $622.19 |

**Minor Repairs and Expenses:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Belmont Community Store | $38.51 | |
| Boulia Gorrell Lumber Co. | 8.35 | |
| Bryant & Lawrence | 9.30 | |
| Ralph S. Bryant | 37.00 | |
| Delta Manufacturing Co. | 2.35 | |
| Diamond Match Co. | 51.37 | |
| C. & S. Electric Co. | 138.44 | |
| Fred's Filling Station | 166.30 | |
| Francoeur-Keroack Co. | 208.26 | |
| Herbert Harbour | 13.00 | |
| Donald F. Perthel | 930.12 | |
| Public Service Co. of N. H. | 2.00 | |
| Rolf Camp Co. | 20.23 | |
| Clifford Robichaud | 291.20 | |
| Selectmen of Belmont | 6.50 | |
| Joseph Shea | 44.29 | |
| Singer Sewing Machine Co. | 48.62 | |
| Philip Spaulding | 23.00 | |
| Tilton Hardware | 118.49 | |
| Tropical Paint Co. | 34.70 | |
| Total | | $2,192.03 |

## AUXILIARY AGENCIES AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

**Medical Inspection:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Kenneth Achber | $20.00 |
| Maico Boston Co. | 64.80 |
| Lurline H. McCook (W.T. $86.50) | 648.80 |

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|---|---|---|
| Prescott's Pharmacy | 25.13 | |
| Dr. Kathleen Robinson | 64.00 | |
| Dr. Harry E. Trapp | 69.50 | |
| Collector of Internal Revenue | 86.50 | |
| Total | | $978.73 |

**Transportation of Pupils:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gerard Camire | $157.00 | |
| Milford Hislop | 646.00 | |
| Laconia Street Railway | 4,935.00 | |
| Leila H. Waterman | 1,392.00 | |
| Louis Wuelper | 138.00 | |
| Total | | $7,268.00 |

**Other Special Activities:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| John J. Bane | $150.00 | |
| Belmont Hosiery Co. | 150.00 | |
| Phyllis Carey | 50.00 | |
| James Leith | 25.00 | |
| Henry J. McLaughlin | 100.00 | |
| M. E. O'Brien | 13.47 | |
| Total | | $488.47 |

## FIXED CHARGES

**Insurance:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Central N. H. Real Estate Agency | $360.80 | |
| Guy Hamel | 514.18 | |
| Total | | $874.98 |

**Per Capita Tax:**

| | |
|---|---|
| State Treasurer | $500.00 |

**Other Fixed Charges:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Retirement Board | $438.98 |

## OUTLAY FOR CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT

**New Equipment:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Edward E. Babb & Co. | $128.12 |
| Denoyer Geppert | 36.07 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Royal Typewriter Co. | 399.00 | |
| State Trade School | 1.08 | |
| Total | | $564.27 |

## DEBT SERVICE

**Payment of Principal of Debt:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Laconia Savings Bank | $675.00 |
| Interest on Debt | |
| Laconia Savings Bank | $182.25 |
| Total Payments | $46,811.85 |
| Cash on hand June 30, 1948 | 346.22 |
| Grand Total | $47,158.07 |

Respectfully submitted

RICHARD W. WESTON
HELENA L. BRYANT
CLARENCE N. MOODY
School Board

WILSON S. MANSFIELD
Treasurer of School District

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Board, Parents and Voters:

During World War II, we often thought conditions were difficult but that they would be relieved at the cessation of hostilities. We did not foresee that we would continue to live in an atmosphere of national anxiety, armed, conducting a "cold war", and that conditions would become more perplexing each year as tensions distress the peoples of the world. As the "atomic age" is being ushered in, we desire its princely benefits, not its pauperizing effects. In the midst of national buffeting in world currents, the schools stand as shrines of cultural enrichment and as temples for further enlightenment.

As places for learning and as workshops for practice in group living, the schools should advance with the times; they should not stay static, much less retrogress. The higher birth rates are being reflected in the enrollment of youngsters. In increasing numbers, children will enter the schoolhouse doors. In four or five years, school rooms may be needed for *50% more primary pupils* than are now enrolled. Where 2 first-year pupils attend now, we may soon have 3. This prospect gives sufficient warning to districts, school boards and voters to provide more school rooms soon.

### We have yet to heed the signs of building needs in the near future! What facilities do we need?

Psychologists have been studying the reactions of children for years. Their preliminary findings have been published in numerous writings and new phases are being reported frequently. Schools in some sections of the country are organized to recognize the physical and emotional make-up of children. The younger the school child the more space he needs—space for play, space for rest, and space for school activities. The span of attention of little children is short so a dozen to twenty are assigned to one teacher. Small youngsters need to be shown patience, love, encouragement, understanding, assistance, and guidance, so teachers with temperaments peculiarly suited to this work should be trained and employed. The influence on pupils of right teachers is great, carrying its effect throughout one's lifetime.

**We have yet to make use of our full knowledge of child psychology in our provisions for teaching small children.**

**What are the elements of a modern elementary program?**

There is a dearth of trained, experienced, and skillful persons for successfully teaching children in their early years of school. The proper type of teacher is in great demand. Our children need the best teachers so we must compete in the salary market to hire and retain them.

**We have yet to provide sufficient teachers with the "know-how" to deal with little tots.**

**How can we procure teachers to conduct a modern primary school program?**

Our older boys and girls, those in high school, are to earn their living in an "atomic age". If they are to be partners with their neighbors in government, preserving freedom of choice and initiative, they must be schooled in the ways of democracy and practice them daily in group living. For adolescents—teen-agers—the years ahead appear to be filled with great responsibilities and grave dangers. The high school program can be adjusted to help maturing young men and women govern themselves without dictators, to earn their living without doles, to rear their families without subsidies, and to share the blessings of liberty and worship in harmony with their neighbors around the world.

**We have yet to fully reorganize our offerings in secondary schools so youths approaching maturity may cope with Life's responsibilities.**

**What are the essentials in a modern high school program?**

In the succeeding pages of this report, you will find recorded some information about the buildings and equipment, the care and use of school property, the pupils enrolled and the teachers employed, and financial support and obligations. Any successes indicated are the outcomes of our mutual interest and joint efforts. Any discouragements mentioned are the obstacles which temporarily impede our advance, but hindrances must be removed so boys and girls can be the immediate beneficiaries.

## Buildings and Equipment

Belmont
Children here,
Children there,
Children everywhere
In Belmont.

Our Growing need
in
school facilities

**SPACE**

### Gale School

On December 15, 1947, the State Fire Marshal, Mr. Aubrey G. Robinson, inspected the Gale School and made recommendations on the following points:

1. Relocation of boiler room and enclosing it with fire-resisting material,
2. Care of paints and varnishes in the shop,
3. Closing the manual training room doors,
4. Attendance of a janitor during school hours,
5. Use of waste cans,
6. Installation of exit signs,
7. Panic lock on rear exit door,
8. Wire fire glass in basement windows near exit,
9. Operation of school bell.

During the summer, workmen were employed to move the present boiler and to construct around it a boiler room of cement blocks and a cement plaster ceiling. There is now reasonable assurance that fire originating around the boiler of the Gale School will not destroy the building.

### Other Summer Repairs and Changes

Mr. Clifford Robichaud was employed during the summer to redecorate the rooms of the first floor of the Gale School and to refinish some parts of the High School. In two years the classrooms and corridors on the first and second floors of the Gale School have been tinted in light shades and now present a clean and attractive appearance.

### Heat Saving

During the coldest weather heat has been lost from the loose-fitting windows and doors at the Belmont High School. These have been weather-stripped recently.

### Flood Lights

The flood lights installed on the High and Gale School buildings have decreased the troubles that have arisen during past school events.

### Alterations Needed

Due to the increased number of students and the greater use of the High School building by outside agencies such as the PTA, some changes are needed.

1. A new walk around the school, preferably asphalt or cement for economy and long wearing, should be built.
2. New storage space cabinets in the corridors should be installed.
3. A boys' locker room and shower facilities in the basement of the Gale School for the use of basketball teams and other students will be of great use.
4. A complete cleaning and painting job in the study hall is needed. This study hall should be done over in scientifically-designed light colors which are easy on the eyes and give maximum amounts of light on the work material and pupils' desks. Fluorescent lighting should be installed in this room and later extended to other classrooms. The sliding doors in the main room should operate better. They need overhauling or replacing.

### Fire Protection

Fire drills have been held more frequently than in the past and will continue to be practiced. Additional fire extinguishers are needed in both school buildings and the community hall, and fire release bars for breaking the doors open are needed on several doors.

To increase the certainty of adequate protection in case of fire, the district may decide to invest in an automatic sprinkler system for each building. Though the annual charge for water may be higher, there will be a large saving in insurance premiums to be paid, (as much as 50% reduction in some cases).

### Play Areas

Some larger and more suitable play areas are badly needed for the school and town's children. Long-range plans should include:

1. Macadam or asphalt-surfaced basketball courts in front of the school building and on the site of the tennis courts down town. Juvenile delinquency may be prevented by their installation and use.

2. Property behind the school should include a full-sized

baseball diamond and play area for all children. When the new road goes in, this area will be easily accessible.

At one point, the highway cutoff now under construction east of the school buildings will pass close by the baseball field which has been used for several years. An attempt has been made to remove a hillock on the east side of the ball field so that the playing area could be enlarged. Unfortunately, the highway contractor does not need additional fill at this time so no success can be reported on our plan to improve the baseball playing area.

### School District Bonds

Twenty notes were issued in 1937 by the School District for the construction of the Belmont High School. Of these, eight to the extent of $5,400 were outstanding on July 1, 1948. These notes are repayable $675 annually in January of each year, with 3% interest collected in January and July.

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|---|---|
| July 1, 1948 | Interest $81.00 |
| Jan. 1, 1949 | Interest $81.00 and $675 on Principal |
| July 1, 1949 | Interest $70.98 |
| Jan. 1, 1950 | Interest $70.97 and $675 on Principal |
| July 1, 1950 | Interest $60.75 |
| Jan. 1, 1951 | Interest $60.75 nd $675 on Principal |

## PUPILS

### Closing Exercises

The last school year closed with Baccalaureate Sunday June 13, 1948, at 4:00 P. M. and graduation exercises for high school pupils in Community Hall on Friday evening, June 18, at 7:30 P. M. The Program:

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|---|---|
| Processional | |
| Invocation | Rev. Cornelius P. Buckley |
| Salutatory | Chester Heath |
| Selection, "Land of Hope and Glory" | Elgar |
| High School Glee Club | |
| Address | Hon. Sherman Adams |
| | Lincoln, N. H. |
| Selection, "Road to Mandalay" | Speaks |
| High School Glee Club | |
| Valedictory | Flora A. Betourne |
| Presentation of Diplomas | Mr. Richard W. Weston |
| | Chairman, Belmont School Board |
| Benediction | Rev. Frederic W. Fitzpatric |
| Recessional | |

### Class of 1948

Earl D. Allard
Joan Leslie Bean
Marilyn Estelle Bennett
Peter Bernard Benoit
Flora Therese Betourne
Rodney S. Crockett
Priscilla Ann Currier
Dorothy May Finley
Laural B. Harris
Chester H. Heath
Raymond Everett Lord
Frank A. Nichols
Pauline Mary Waterfield

### Class Officers

| | |
|---|---|
| President | Flora T. Betourne |
| Vice-President | Frank A. Nichols |
| Treasurer | Marilyn Estelle Bennett |
| Secretary | Pauline Mary Waterfield |
| Class Marshal | Doreen Grace Dow |
| Class Colors | Maroon and White |
| Class Flower | White Rose |

### Motto

"To aim is not enough, we must hit".

### New Awards for 1948

Bausch and Lomb Company will make a Science Award to a senior for the highest 4-year average in science subjects.

A Balfour Plaque is given to a senior who is voted by faculty as the most outstanding in loyalty, scholarship, and achievement.

### Length of School Year

The State Board of Education has defined a school year as "not less than 180 teaching days distributed over not less than 36 weeks, during which the pupils and teachers are brought together for instructional purposes. Holidays and other days during which the teachers are absent from instructional activities for attendance at educational meetings, etc., shall not be counted in the 180 days; provided that not to exceed 5 of the 180 days may be used for the purposes of an organized, full-time program of in-service training for teachers when approved by the State Board of Education, and that not to exceed 3 additional days may be used for attendance of teachers at County Institutes and the Annual Convention of the New Hampshire Teachers Association."

### School Calendar for 1948-49

This School Calendar provides for 181 school days to compensate for a loss of one day for bad weather.

First Term begins, Thursday, September 9, 1948. No school: October 12, 21, 22; November 25, 26. Close for Christmas vacation at usual time, December 23, 1948.

Second Term begins Monday, January 3, 1949. Winter vacation: Close school at usual time on Friday, February 18, 1949.

Third Term begins Monday, February 28, 1949. Spring vacation: Close school at usual time on Friday, April 22, 1949.

Fourth Term begins Monday, May 2, 1949. No school May 30, 1949. Summer vacation: Close school on Friday, June 17, 1949.

### No School Signal by Radio

"No-School" signals will be given by radio. The closing of any school after the beginning of the morning or afternoon session will be done by announcement of the teacher in charge.

Concord Radio Station WKXL (1450 on dial)
Laconia Radio Station WLNH (1340 on dial)
"No School" announcements at 7:15, 7:30, 7:45, 8:00 A. M.

Schools will be closed on account of weather only when the conditions make walking very difficult or travel by car hazardous.

The "No School" signal may not be sounded this year or next. Rain-or-shine, storm-or-cold, the schools will be kept open, save for safety's sake.

### Prospective School Enrollments

The Director of the Division of Vital Statistics in New Hampshire has issued information about children born in the state who become six years of age between 1947 and 1952. There may be from forty to fifty percent increase in the number of 6-year old children to enter school. At the present time there are about two dozen 6-year olds in their first year of school. Five or six years from now there may be three dozen and that increase will be reflected after 1952 or 1953 in larger enrollments.

### Enrollments in October 1948, Teachers, Schools

Gale School

| Teacher | Grade | Enrollment |
|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Editha K. Cowing | I | 27 |
| Miss Wilhelmina B. Reed | II-III | 36 |
| Mrs. Cecile L. Smith | III-IV | 36 |
| Mrs. Helen H. Rego | IV-V | 34 |
| Mr. Henry J. McLaughlin | V-VI | 30 |

High School

| | Grade | Enrollment |
|---|---|---|
| Mr. John J. Bane, Headmaster | VII | 16 |
| Miss Alice J. Christian | VIII | 19 |
| | | — 35 |
| Miss Claire E. Kimmens | IX | 17 |
| Mr. Fred A. Rogler | X | 18 |
| Miss M. Carolyn Silva | XI | 21 |
| | XII | 12 |
| | | — 68 |

St. Joseph School, Laconia

| | |
|---|---|
| Marie Jeanne Binnette (Emile) | Primary |
| John Dione (John) | Primary |
| Yette Hueber (Raymond) | Primary |
| Louis Hueber (Raymond) | III |
| Lilliane Leroux (Robert) | III |
| Lucille Leroux (Robert) | III |
| Marcel Marcotte (Emile) | VII |
| Lucille Paquette (Leo) | V |

St. John School, Laconia

| | |
|---|---|
| Alice Drouin (Peter) | VIII |
| Cecile Dupont (Laurence) | VI |
| Sheila Hancock (Fred) | III |
| Doris Hollins (Earl) | V |
| Helen Hollins (Earl) | II |
| Lillian Hollins (Earl) | V |
| Alfreda Marden (Alfred) | III |
| Joan Mooney (Ronald) | I |
| Nellie Mooney (Ronald) | VII |
| Peter Mooney (Ronald) | VI |
| Thomas Mooney (Ronald) | VIII |
| Jo-Ann Pearce (Alfred) | VI |
| Wayne Snow (Lynwood) | VII |

Area Vocational School, Laconia (Tuition paid by State)

| | |
|---|---|
| Jane Alice Bean (Gordon) | IX |
| Sidney Bean (Gordon) | IX |
| Blaisdell, Melvin A. (Ellis) | XI |
| Ronald J. Cormier (Leo) | IX |
| Elizabeth M. Roger (Arthur) | IX |
| Charles M. Rowe (Merton) | XI |

Belmont Pupils in Other Schools (Private)

| | |
|---|---|
| Barbara Smith (Royal) | IX Laconia High School |
| Rachel Fellows (Harry) | IX Laconia High School |
| Pauline Fellows (Harry) | XI Laconia High School |
| Donald Cameron (L. J.) | X Laconia High School |
| Frances L. Ford (Herbert) | VIII Laconia High School |
| Richard Shaw (Wilbur Cate) | XII Laconia High School |

### Tuition Pupils

Gale School

III Grace Dow from Tilton-Northfield

High School

XI Gerard D. Lacroix, from Tilton-Northfield
XII Lois G. Madden, from Loudon
XII Haven R. Fitzpatrick, from Sanbornton

### Seats and Desks Needed

To accommodate the increased enrollments, desks and seats have been borrowed from the Canterbury, Gilford and Tilton-Northfield Districts. These are to be returned at the close of the current school year, making imperative the purchase of approximately fifty units for the Gale and High School rooms.

### Transporters

Contracts for the transportation of pupils include:

Gerard R. Gamire, Rt. 1, Laconia, $1.50 per school day.

Laconia Transit Company, contract from September 1, 1948 to June 30, 1951, at rate of $27 per school day covering the two current routes, Winnisquam, 22 miles and Province Road, 24.8 miles, (transports also to St. John's School 2 pupils and St. Joseph's 4).

Milford C. Hislop, South Road, Belmont, 5 pupils, $3 per school day.

Louis Wuelper, Gilmanton Road, 5 pupils, $2 per school day.

Mrs. Leila Waterman, River Road, 9 pupils; Union Road 9 pupils; Jamestown, 8 pupils, 24.1 miles, $12 per school day.

### District Ownership of Buses

Last year we presented information on district-ownership of school buses. Within the last month, the State of New Hampshire, through the Office of the State Purchasing Agent, has offered to use State credit to buy school buses in quantity and

sell them at cost to school districts. The next logical step in this program may be for the State to furnish accident liability protection to school districts through a sort of insurance pool. State financial backing can lower school transportation expense by purchasing school buses at wholesale, covering accident liability eventually, giving free registration, rebating gasoline taxes, and offering quantity rates on purchases of tires and oil. When all factors are considered, the school district may decide at some future date to use these means to lower expenses of school transportation.

### Highway Safety

The Belmont School Board has considered some of the factors which make for safe transportation of boys and girls to Belmont schools. It has established speeds for vehicles carrying Belmont pupils and it has requested the State Highway Department to erect proper road side signs at several points where busses stop.

Speed of vehicles on School St., Maximum 15 miles per hr.

Speed of vehicles on School routes, dirt roads, Maximum, 25 miles per hour

Speed of vehicles, on hard surfaced roads, Maximum, 40 miles per hour.

We have been able to procure a "No Parking" sign to cut down the traffic hazard in and around the school property but there should be a definite understanding among local authorities on speed along School Street before a child is maimed due to high speed or careless driving. The speed limit might be set at 15 mph and no cars should be allowed to park near either building.

### School Lunch Program

A school lunch program provides nourishing foods to pupils. An application for Federally-aided school lunch program has been made. This might be started in some convenient place, provided volunteer help could be secured. A central kitchen could serve both high and elementary pupils but overcrowding at the high school would prevent the present use of the kitchen there.

Under Federal reimbursements, a sponsor would receive for

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| Type A Meal (Complete) | 9¢ |
| Type A (Without milk) | 7¢ |
| Type B (Incomplete) | 6¢ |
| Type B (Without milk) | 4¢ |
| Type C (Milk only) | 2¢ |

## Physical Examinations

All pupils should be given complete examinations periodically. The school nurse's report shows—

1. Examinations conducted by Dr. Harry E. Trapp, Jr., and Dr. Kathleen Robinson,—strip examinations.
2. Visual acuity and audiometer tests to all.
3. Some Gale School pupils have had toxoid treatments.
4. Tuberculosis patch tests were made on some.
5. The teeth of pupils in Grades I, II and III were examined by Dr. Kenneth Achbar and a dental clinic conducted. All others were observed by a physician.
6. Corrective exercises for posture defects are being given.
7. Three tonsillectomies among small pupils were performed.

The Health Program in Belmont schools is limited to the efforts of parents, teachers, and school nurse. In some of the schools in this section of New Hampshire, the health program approaches the ideal, and includes such points as:

1. Indoor and outdoor organized play activities taught and practiced in classrooms, playgrounds, and activity rooms;
2. Rest after meals, periods of quiet, soft music, story-reading for the smallest pupils;
3. School lunches to supplement home meals, milk or small lunch in mid-morning, lunches at noon which furnish 1/3 to 1/2 of the daily requirements, and which encourage the use of vegetables, milk and nutritious foods;
4. Control of communicable diseases through inspections of hands, face, and skin each morning; notice taken of physical condition and report of unusual appearances to the nurse;
5. Annual physical examination by a doctor with pupil undressed;
6. Correction of physical defects through clinics or corrective exercises;
7. Improvement of mental health, use of psychiatric measurements, development of poise and balanced personalities.

### Athletics

Boys' basketball is being directed by Mr. McLaughlin; the girls by Miss Kimmens. Twenty-two boys are playing on varsity and junior varsity squads. Many more are enrolled in an intramural sports program. Girls are playing most of their games in the afternoon as recommended by authorities in women's physical education circles.

### Correspondence Courses

The needs of some students in studies are being partially met through correspondence courses obtained from the University of Nebraska. Subjects being studied and number enrolled in each are shown in the table:

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|---|---|
| Agriculture, General | 1 |
| Art, Sketching | 1 |
| Drawing, Mechanical | 1 |
| Mathematics, Solid Geometry | 3 |
| Plane Trigonometry | 3 |
| Typewriting, Advanced | 2 |
| Elementary | 1 |

## TEACHERS

The shortage of teachers throughout the country has been felt acutely in the smaller school systems. Teachers with college training and with several years of good teaching experience elsewhere are often unwilling to accept a contract to work in Belmont. This makes the job of finding mature persons particularly for high school work, very difficult. This results in a heavy turnover of personnel in Belmont High School since most of the teachers are recent graduates of a teachers college and stay in Belmont until they have had the one or two years of experience required to obtain work in a larger place.

Present-day thinking about schools indicates that "classrooms are laboratories in group living". "The old idea of the classroom as a filling station where the teacher simply connects the tank of knowledge with the tank in the child's mind is on the way out." "Teaching is something more than pouring from the big jug into the little mug." Now, there is "less emphasis on competitive activities, and more stress on cooperative ones." "It takes all kinds of people to make the world go round. Schools should have well-rounded programs through which every child can feel needed and can experience some degree of success. Don't put a premium on 'brain work' alone."

Belmont cannot secure the best training for its boys and girls until it can employ highly skilled teachers, and give them the materials and space for modern educational programs.

Mrs. Ruth D. Ackerman decided to return to her former position in the Laconia High School. Her successor is Miss Claire E. Kimmens of Holden, Mass. She was graduated from the Framingham, Massachusetts Teachers College in 1945 and has taught in Craftsbury and Johnson, Vermont, before coming to Belmont.

Miss Doris R. Glaude took over the subjects of French and Latin in the Tilton-Northfield High School. Her position was filled by the appointment of Miss M. Carolyn Silva, resident of Gloucester, Mass., and recent graduate of Mt. St. Mary College.

Mr. Henry J. McLaughlin has been placed in charge of fifth and sixth grade pupils in one room of the high school building, an overflow from the Gale School.

Miss Alice J. Christian of Meriden, Connecticut, a graduate of Rivier College in 1948, was employed to teach social studies. She assumes some of the work of Mrs. Velma Lucier Simpson who decided to reserve her energies for home responsibilities in Northfield.

### Professional Training of Teachers

The teaching effectiveness of staff members can be advanced through study. Teachers under contract for the 1948-49 school year were encouraged to enroll in a variety of training programs, and as further inducement, some of the expenses were paid by the school department. Opportunities were provided in:

1. An extension course in "Mental Hygiene" conducted by Dr. Anna Philbrook, State Psychiatrist, in the Tilton-Northfield High School from 4:00-6:00 p. m. each Monday afternoon from February to May 1948. Miss Reed, Mrs. Cowing, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Simpson, Miss Glaude and Mr. Rogler took this course.

2. Columbia University's Intersession on "Science of the Environment" at Plymouth Teachers' College between June 14 and July 2, 1948. From Belmont Mrs. Cowing, Miss Reed and Mrs. Smith attended for two weeks each. This resulted in a study outline in science for all elementary teachers in the supervisory union.

3. Summer session attendance at New England colleges was encouraged. Mrs. Rego and Mrs. Smith were at Plymouth Teachers College, Mr. Rogler attended a six-week session at the

University of New Hampshire and Mr. McLaughlin attended a six-week session at Boston University.

4. On September 7 and 8, 1948, a two-day in-service training session on "Group Planning" was conducted in the gymnasium of the Tilton-Northfield High School, and was attended by all Belmont teachers.

5. The Southern Winnipesaukee Teachers Association holds bi-monthly meetings. The programs planned for the year 1948-49 by the teachers include:

September 15, 1948—Specific Aids in Remedial Reading
Asst. Prof. M. K. Seavey
Plymouth Teachers College

November 3, 1948—Demonstration of the Tape Recorder and Its Use in Language Arts
Fisk Visual Service

January 5, 1949 —Radio in Education
Representative from WKXL

March 2, 1949 —Improvement in Reading by Tachistoscopic Projector
Dr. Austin L. Olney
Audio-Visual Center, UNH

May 4, 1949 —Improvement in Health in the School Environment
Dr. Lura Oak-Bruce
State Department of Education

6. On October 18, 19, 20, 1948 the teachers in the high schools of Belmont, Bristol, and Tilton-Northfield combined for a three-day workshop on "Reorganizing the High School Curriculum", with Dr. Marcella R. Lawler of Teachers College, Columbia University in charge of the all day meetings in Tilton.

7. During the fall semester of Plymouth Teachers College, an extension course in Language Arts is being taught by Asst. Prof. Marion K. Seavey each Monday afternoon, 4:00-6:00 p. m. Tilton-Northfield High School. Experts from Dartmouth College and Boston University lecture and demonstrate to supplement Prof. Seavey's lessons. Mrs. Rego is taking this course.

8. Boston University has conducted a first-semester course on School and Community Relations in Concord each Thurs-

day afternoon in the fall of 1948, taught by Dr. Worcester Warren.

9. The University of New Hampshire's English Department furnishes Mr. John Baird as instructor for a second-semester course in "Speech for Teachers". Twenty-two sessions are to be held from January to May 1949, 4:00-6:00 p. m. Eleven sessions will be held in the Laconia High School and the other eleven at the Tilton-Northfield High School. From Belmont, Mr. Rogler was enrolled.

10. Miss Helen E. Martin of North Stratford, N. H., recognized as a person of superior teaching qualities, was secured on a part-time basis to work with teachers in visual education, social studies, science, and language arts. Vocal music instruction continues under Miss Vogel's direction. In the near future, boys and girls may secure broader cultural experiences and training through the employment of part-time teachers of instrumental music, drawing, physical education and hand-writing.

### Regional Planning

The Belmont teachers have been active in the Southern Winnipesaukee Teachers Association, embracing the personnel in Tilton-Northfield Supervisory Union No. 59. On April 28, 1948, the teachers attended a late afternoon and early evening meeting at the Tilton-Northfield High School. The theme of the program was: "Thinking Together on Regional Planning for the Lakes Region of New Hampshire". At this meeting, a series of short talks were given by experts of the New Hampshire Education Department emphasizing three important changes or developments which may affect New Hampshire education within the next two, five or ten years. The trend in New Hampshire is towards the establishment of regional schools in which can be provided the educational offerings essential to the training of boys and girls in this complex age, modern plants to provide facilities for a good health and play program, opportunities for instruction through films, pictures and slides, and work experiences to prepare young men and women to earn a living. In the regional units, buildings and grounds can be spacious, rooms large, and school program expanded.

At the April 28th meeting, Dr. Gertrude M. Lewis, Supervisor of Elementary Education, spoke on "Elementary School Studies in the Immediate Future". Mr. Russell H. Leavitt, Chief of the Division of Instruction, suggested "Practices in High

School Subject Offerings", and Miss Grace E. Felker, Director of Physical Education, explained "The Physical Education Program for Boys and Girls of All Ages".

Supper was served in the high school cafeteria, followed by one of the scheduled business meetings of the Southern Winnipesaukee Teachers Association.

In the evening, Mr. Walter M. May, State Director of Vocational Education, spoke on "Utilizing the Facilities in the Laconia Area Vocational School". Mr. John D. Langmuir, Executive Secretary of the New Hampshire Taxpayers Federation, explained "The Public's Growing Interest and Stake in Education". Mr. C. Maurice Gray, Superintendent of Schools in Bristol, discussed "Educational Planning on a Regional Basis".

On the morning of April 28th, superintendents in the Lakes Region met to hear Mr. Rhoden B. Eddy of Laconia describe "Highschool Offerings to Serve the Area Community". Dr. William W. Smith of Gilford, University of New Hampshire Extension Horticulturist, outlined "Agricultural Ventures of Interest to Central New Hampshire Young People". Mr. William A. Mahoney, Personnel Director of Scott and Williams, listed "Job Opportunities in Industry in the Lakes Region". Mr. Reid O. Besserer, Central New Hampshire Y.M.C.A. Secretary spoke on "Summer Jobs in Recreational Enterprises". Mr. Edward J. Gallagher, Editor, Laconia Evening Citizen and member of the State Planning and Development Commission, described "Regional Development of Central New Hampshire". Finally, Mr. Donald F. Piper, then Director of Youth Services, State Board of Education, told of possibilities in a junior college plan for youthful commuters.

### "Science of the Environment" Course

Arrangements were made with Columbia University for our teachers to attend a portion of the Intersession Field Course in Science conducted on the campus of the Plymouth Teachers College by professors from Columbia and visiting professors from other colleges and universities. This course was taught for four weeks in June and early July 1948. Belmont Gale School teachers were asked to enroll for two weeks so that there could be improvement in the teaching of science among elementary pupils. As an incentive to undertake this course, expenses were paid in exchange for time, effort, and travel.

Mrs. Cowing, Miss Reed, and Mrs. Smith were able to attend for two weeks and have contributed sections to the tentative course of study in Elementary Science which is being written

by teachers in this supervisory union. An 80-page report will be issued for trial and constructive criticism and revision early in January 1949.

### State Department of Education Survey

In November 1948, Belmont submitted a report as a part of a survey of school building needs conducted by the State Department of Education.

### Visual Education

Pictures form a sort of universal language. Pupils learn much more rapidly through picture study than through textbook readings. Greater emphasis in instruction is being placed on the use of visual aids to learning. One of these means is motion pictures. Films are being shown with great satisfaction by a Bell & Howell machine borrowed occasionally from Tilton-Northfield, but there is a desire among P.T.A. members to earn funds to purchase a machine.

### P.T.A.

The P.T.A. has made a fine start in Belmont and can do much to bring the schools and the townspeople closer together. Programs of the meetings which have been held since the formation of the organization have been concerned mainly with topics of particular interest to parents. It is likely that programs designed to furnish information on the needs of youth in Belmont will be effective soon.

## CONCLUSION

The parents and the voters of Belmont are faced with some crucial school problems. We are living in an "atomic age". The school program should be geared to give maturing young people some of the benefits of modern education. The Belmont schools are maintained as places for children to learn to live and to work together. Here are some of the problems, and possible solutions.

1. Enrollments in the lower grades may increase 50% by 1953. Where will more pupils be housed?
   (Add more rooms to the Gale School, and install automatic sprinkler system for fire protection.)
   (Add more rooms to the High School.)
   (Establish a kindergarten program.)
2. The demands of the present age and the increased needs of youth can be met by expanding and improving the school offerings. What should be done to remedy this?

(Organize a health program which really benefits every boys and girl, mentally, physically, spiritually.)
(Develop satisfactory play areas around the school buildings.)
(Add a gymnasium-auditorium to the high school.)
(Offer drawing, music, physical education, and work-experiences.)
(Build more classrooms and workrooms for specialized subjects.)
(Provide equipment for audio-visual instruction.)
(Transport high school pupils to Laconia H.S. or Franklin H.S. where vocational studies are offered.)
(Use the present high school buildings for more elementary pupils, beyond the roomful now there.)
(Attract experienced teachers and retain their services for longer periods of time in high school work.)
(Give the Headmaster an opportunity to perform adequate guidance services for young people and to improve upon their instruction.)

The questions asked at the beginning of this report are worthy of re-emphasis in closing it:

1. What facilities do we need to house the prospective influx of pupils?
2. What are the elements of a modern elementary school program?
3. How can we procure teachers to conduct a modern school program in this "atomic age"?

In concluding this ninth annual report, I wish to express again my appreciation to the members of the school board for their questions, suggestions, support, and service; to the teachers for their willingness to venture into the study and trial of better teaching techniques and materials, for their participation in teachers' meetings and study courses, and for their industry and enthusiasm; to the parents for their interest in the work of the school and for their contributions to the school program through the P.T.A.; to specialized workers in health and music for their conscientious endeavors; and to all others who in divers ways have made educational progress possible for numbers of boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,

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